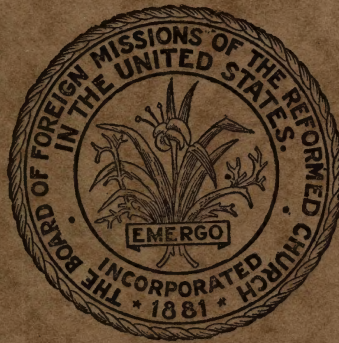


BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS
Reformed Church in the United States

THIRTEENTH
TRIENNIAL REPORT
1914 - 1917



REFORMED CHURCH BUILDING
Fifteenth and Race Streets, Philadelphia, Penna.

BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS

ORGANIZED 1838 : : : : : : : INCORPORATED 1881

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Rev. Jacob G. Rupp, Rev. Daniel Burghalter, D.D.,
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Laymen's Missionary Movement, Rev. William E. Lampe, Ph.D., Sec.
Mission Study, Mr. John H. Poorman, Sec.
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Fifteenth and Race streets, Philadelphia, Pa.

MEDICAL EXAMINER

LEGAL ADVISOR

John W. Appel, Esq., Lancaster, Pa.

FORM OF BEQUEST FOR FOREIGN MISSIONS

I give and bequeath to the Board of Foreign Missions of the Reformed Church in the United States, of which Rev. Albert S. Bromer, of Philadelphia, Pa., is Treasurer, the sum of dollars.

IMPORTANT

In order to be valid, all charitable bequests in Pennsylvania must be made at least thirty days before the death of the testator.

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The Task of the Church

AS WE lift the eye of faith, we see the mission fields ripe unto harvest. The Lord calls and the world waits for the Church to go and gather the sheaves into His kingdom. There never was a time when the human opportunity for service was so great, the divine challenge to the Church so strong, and the labors of the missionaries so fruitful. The outlook is one that should stir all hearts to a firmer hope in the coming of the Lord.

The task of the Church is to bring Christ to the world and to tell all people of His great love toward them. The test of a Church is in its relation to a big task. A church conscious of its strength will be unconscious of its weakness. It will gird on the whole armor of God, and rejoice that it is given a task for which Christ has promised His "all power" as well as His presence "unto the end of the world."

As a part of the Church of Christ we are able to assume our share of the world-task, not to convert, not to Christianize, not to save, but to bring the ten millions of souls, our assumed responsibility, into touch with the saving power of the Gospel. Conscious as we are of the presence and power of Jesus in our hearts and lives, it is no task for us as the sons of God to do our full duty in the work of world-evangelization.

The Charter of the Board of Foreign Missions

TO THE HONORABLE, THE JUDGES OF THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS
OF DAUPHIN COUNTY:

The petition of the undersigned, Rev. David Van Horne, D. D., Rev. Charles H. Leinbach, D. D., Rev. Thomas S. Johnston, D. D., Rudolph F. Kelker, and William H. Seibert, respectfully represents that they are citizens of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, associated together for the objects and purposes hereinafter mentioned; and being desirous of having and enjoying all the rights, powers, and privileges of a corporation or body politic under the act of Assembly, entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations," approved April 29, 1874, and the supplements thereto, have prepared and now present the following certificate and articles of association, setting forth the objects and conditions of the organization, and the name, style, and title under which they desire to be incorporated.

DAVID VAN HORNE,	THOMAS S. JOHNSTON,
CHARLES H. LEINBACH,	RUD. F. KELKER,
WILLIAM H. SEIBERT.	

CHARTER

ARTICLE I. The name, style and title of the corporation shall be, "The Board of Foreign Missions of the Reformed Church in the United States."

ARTICLE II. Its object shall be to inaugurate and perpetuate Christian missions in foreign lands, and among the Indians in our own country, in accordance with the doctrines, customs, and usages of the Reformed Church in the United States, and under the direction of the General Synod thereof.

ARTICLE III. Its chief place of business shall be in the city of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, but other places for the transaction of business may at any time be designated by the General Synod of the aforesaid Church.

ARTICLE IV. The existence of the corporation shall be perpetual.

ARTICLE V. The names and residences of the subscribers are as follows: Rev. David Van Horne, D. D., Philadelphia, Pa.; Rev. Charles H. Leinbach, D. D., near Myerstown, Pa.; Rev. Thomas S. Johnston, D. D., Lebanon, Pa.; Rudolph F. Kelker, Harrisburg, Pa.; William H. Seibert, Harrisburg, Pa.

ARTICLE VI. The Board which shall conduct the operations of the corporation shall consist of at least twelve members, eight of whom shall be ministers and four of whom shall be elders, who shall be elected by the General Synod. The names and residences of the said Board of Commissioners for the year ending with the month of May, Anno Domino one thousand eight hundred and eighty-one, are as follows: Rev. David Van Horne, D. D., Philadelphia, Pa.; Rev. Charles H. Leinbach, D. D., near Myerstown, Pa.; Rev. Thomas S. Johnston, D. D., Lebanon, Pa.; Rev. Clement Z. Weiser, D. D., East Greenville, Pa.; Rev. Benjamin Bausman, D. D., Reading, Pa.; Rev. J. H. A. Bomberger, D. D., Collegeville, Pa.; Rev. Nicholas Gehr, D. D., Philadelphia, Pa.; Rev. J. W. Santee, D. D., Cavetown, Md.; Rudolph F. Kelker, Harrisburg, Pa.; William H. Seibert, Harrisburg, Pa.; Goldsborough S. Griffith, Baltimore, Md.; George Gelbach, Philadelphia, Pa.

ARTICLE VII. The Board so elected shall have full power to adopt such Constitution and By-laws for their government and for the prosecution of the foreign mission work and among the Indians aforesaid, as they may deem best, and the same to alter and amend from time to time at their pleasure; provided, the provisions thereof are not repugnant to the Constitution of the United States, the Constitutions of Pennsylvania, or the Constitution of the General Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States.

STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA, DAUPHIN COUNTY, SS.

Before me, John S. Lynch, recorder of the county of Dauphin, personally appeared Rev. Thomas S. Johnston, D. D., Rudolph F. Kelker, and William H. Seibert, and in due form of law acknowledged the foregoing certificate of incorporation to be their, and each of their, act, and deed for the purposes therein set forth.

Witness my hand and seal of office the fourth day of April, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and eighty-one.

(L. S.)

JOHN S. LYNCH,
Recorder.

And now, to wit, April the twenty-fifth, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-one, the foregoing instrument having been presented to me, a law judge of the county of Dauphin, and I having examined the same and found it to be in proper form, and within the purposes named in the first class, specified in the second section of the above-named corporation act of 1874, and it appearing lawful and not injurious to the community, and proof having been made before me of the publication of notice of the application for a charter, in compliance with the requirements of the said act, it is hereby ordered and decreed that this charter is approved, and ordered to be recorded, and on the same being done, the subscribers thereto and their associates shall be, and they are, hereby created a corporation, for the purposes and upon the terms stated in said instrument.

By the Court.

R. M. HENDERSON, *Judge*.

Certified and attested this 25th April, A. D. 1881.

EHRMAN B. MITCHELL, *Prothonotary*.

(L. S.)

DAUPHIN COUNTY, SS.

Recorded April 25, 1881, in the office for the recording of deeds as in and for said county, in Charter Book B, page 386.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal of office, at Harrisburg, the day and year aforesaid.

(L. S.)

JOHN S. LYNCH, *Recorder*.

Constitution of the Board of Foreign Missions Revised April 19, 1911

PREAMBLE

Whereas the charter of the Board of Foreign Missions of the Reformed Church in the United States grants full power to its members to adopt such Constitution and By-Laws as they may deem best for their government and the prosecution of Christian missions in foreign lands, and among the Indians in this country, therefore, we do hereby adopt the following Revised Constitution:

ARTICLE I.

Name

The name is the Board of Foreign Missions of the Reformed Church in the United States.

ARTICLE II.

Object

The object of the Board shall be to propagate the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ in the non-Christian world and among the Indians in this country by every means consistent with the doctrines, customs, and usages of the Reformed Church in the United States.

ARTICLE III.

Membership

Section 1. The Board shall consist of fifteen members, eight of whom shall be ministers and seven of whom shall be elders.

Section 2. Inasmuch as membership in this Board is a trust, the faithful discharge of which involves labor and sacrifice, therefore, it is incumbent upon every member to attend the meetings of the Board and Executive Committee as far as possible, and to show by word and deed an abiding interest in the speedy evangelization of the world.

ARTICLE IV.

Organization

Section 1. The Board shall hold its first meeting as soon as practicable after the regular sessions of the General Synod, and organize by the election, by ballot, of the following officers, viz.: a

President, a Vice-President, a Secretary, and a Treasurer, who shall serve until the election following the next regular meeting of the General Synod. The Board may also appoint such other officers from time to time as the needs of the work may require, at the same time defining their duties. All the elective officers shall be members of the Board. Seven members shall constitute a quorum.

Section 2. The Executive Committee shall consist of the officers of the Board and three additional members thereof who shall be chosen by the Board at its first regular meeting after the sessions of the General Synod and who shall serve until the election following the next regular meeting of the General Synod. It shall have the general oversight of all the work, but it shall not in any way create any salaried office, nor shall it increase the salary of any existing officer. Whenever it may be impracticable to convene the entire Board, it shall be endued with all the powers of the same, for the transaction of any urgent business. It shall report to the Board at each meeting: (1) All action that has been taken by the committee; (2) all matters requiring action by the Board.

The President and Secretary of the Board shall be the President and Secretary of the Executive Committee. Four members shall constitute a quorum.

Section 3. In the event of the death, removal, or resignation of any member, the vacancy may be filled at any meeting of the Board, and in all such cases the election shall be for the unexpired term.

ARTICLE V.

Duties of Officers

Section 1. (a) The President shall preside at all the meetings of the Board, and shall perform the usual duties pertaining to his office, and such others as may be imposed upon him by the Board or the Executive Committee.

(b) The Vice-President shall preside in the absence or inability of the President, and in the absence of both a President *pro tem.* may be chosen.

Section 2. (a) The Secretary shall keep an accurate record of all the proceedings of the Board, notify all the members of the time and place of all regular and special meetings, conduct correspondence with the Missions, keep the Board and the Church in touch with the work. He shall keep the files of all letters and papers, shall arrange and bring up all such business as requires

the attention of the Board and the Executive Committee, shall audit the accounts of the missionaries, sign all vouchers to the Treasurer, keep a record of all the property of the Board, and affix the seal to such documents as the Board or Executive Committee shall direct.

(b) He shall receive and receipt for all payments made to the Board, unless the Board shall appoint some other officer for this special work. He shall prepare the report of the Board to the General Synod and present it at the proper time; shall visit, as circumstances may permit, the Synods, Classes and congregations in the interest of the cause; and also the institutions of learning with a view of enlisting young men and women for the foreign field, shall take the oversight of such regular publications as may be issued in connection with the work of the Board, and shall perform such other duties as the Board or Executive Committee may from time to time assign to him. At the expiration of his term of office he shall deliver up to his successor all the archives, records, books, and papers then in his hands belonging to the Board.

(c) The Secretary, or the officer authorized to receive the moneys of the Board, shall give a bond in the sum of \$5000 or such sum as the Board may fix, the expense thereof to be borne by the Board.

Section 3. (a) The Treasurer shall receive from the Secretary or other financial officer all moneys paid to the Board, and shall deposit the same in the name and to the credit of the Board of Foreign Missions of the Reformed Church in the United States in such bank or trust company as the Board shall designate; he shall sign all checks for the disbursement of the money of the Board and shall render a true report of the funds, exhibit his check-book, bank-book, vouchers, and securities, at any meeting of the Board or Executive Committee when the same shall be required.

(b) He shall at all times be authorized to receive for the Board any and all legacies already or hereafter given by will of any person or persons to the Board for the sole use and benefit of the Board whenever payment of the same respectively can be produced; and in all such cases to give receipts or releases for the same under his hand as Treasurer with the corporate seal of the Board affixed thereto and attested by the Secretary.

(c) Under the supervision of the Finance Committee, he shall have the custody of all notes, bonds, deeds and other evidences of property, and under their direction shall invest the permanent funds of the Board.

(d) He shall, by and with the advice and written consent of the Finance Committee, be authorized at any time hereafter to procure from any person or persons, corporation or corporations, as he and the Finance Committee may deem best, by the promissory note of the Board, or other obligation or obligations, loans of money to said Board with or without interest, at such rates, and payable on demand or at such times and in such amounts as he and the committee may approve, and in such cases to deposit or transfer such bonds or securities as belong to the Board as collateral to the said loans, as he and the committee may deem best, and to affix his signature thereto as Treasurer of the Board, and also the corporate seal of the Board attested by the Secretary when so required. But all notes or other obligation or obligations which the Board or the Finance Committee shall authorize to be given for any purpose shall be countersigned by the President or Vice-President and the Secretary.

(e) He shall make a complete statement of all receipts and disbursements and of all investments, and of the value of all properties of the Missions, to the Board at every annual meeting, and also to the General Synod. At the close of his term of service he shall prepare an itemized statement of all moneys received and disbursed by him, which shall be audited by the Finance Committee and approved.

(f) He shall give a bond in the sum of \$5000, or such sum as the Board may fix, the expense thereof to be borne by the Board.

ARTICLE VI.

Committees

Section 1. The Finance Committee shall consist of three members, at least two of whom shall be elders. The members of the Committee shall be counselors and advisers of the Treasurer in all questions of investments, legacies, negotiations of drafts, and procuring of loans, and without their approval he shall not act in the same. They shall provide for the auditing of the books of the Secretary or other financial officer, and Treasurer; watch over the financial interests of the Board and report to the Board or the Executive Committee such matters as may require action. They shall examine all estimates for the annual appropriations of moneys to Missions and missionaries and report their judgment regarding the same, and shall perform such other duties as are assigned to them in the section on duties of the Treasurer.

Section 2. The Literature Committee shall consist of three members, including the Secretary of the Board. It shall supervise the publication and distribution of such literature as will meet the needs of the Church.

Section 3. The District Committees shall consist of as many members as the Board may agree on. They shall render such service as the Board or its Secretary shall from time to time direct, and report the results of their labors to the Board.

ARTICLE VII.

Meetings

Section 1. The regular meetings of the Board shall be held annually on the first Tuesday of March, at the headquarters of the Board.

Section 2. Special meetings of the Board shall be called by the Secretary whenever the Executive Committee or the officers may deem it necessary, or on a written request signed by any three members of the Board.

Section 3. Two weeks' written notice of the regular or special meetings of the Board shall be given by the Secretary to all the members.

Section 4. The Executive Committee shall hold monthly meetings, except in July and August, at such time and place as it may itself agree on. One week's notice of regular and special meetings shall be sent to each member by the Secretary.

ARTICLE VIII.

Woman's Missionary Society of General Synod

The Woman's Missionary Society of General Synod may appoint two official representatives to attend the meetings of the Board and the Executive Committee, who shall advise with the Board in the appointment of teachers for the Girls' Schools in our Missions.

ARTICLE IX.

Order of Business

The order of business, both in the Board and in the Executive Committee, shall be as follows:

1. Prayer.
2. Reading of the minutes for information and report of the Executive Committee to the Board for approval.

3. Statement of the Treasurer.
4. Report of the Finance Committee.
5. Communications and business of the Secretary.
6. Reports of committees.
7. Miscellaneous business.
8. Reading and approval of minutes.
9. Prayer.
10. Adjournment.

ARTICLE X.

Amendments

The Board may alter or amend the provisions of this Constitution at any meeting thereof, but such alteration or amendment must be proposed at a previous meeting and must be adopted by two-thirds of the members present voting for the same.



Thirteenth Triennial Report
OF THE
Board of Foreign Missions

To the Reverend General Synod:

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN: Our first word in presenting a resume of the work of the Board of Foreign Missions for the past three years shall be an expression of deepest gratitude to Almighty God for His many blessings, and of sincere appreciation of the loyal and liberal support of our people in our work. There has been continued progress along all lines of missionary endeavor, in spite of the untoward conditions that prevail throughout the whole world. Among the people in non-Christian lands there is an eager readiness to hear the Gospel and a spirit receptive to its message. The Church at home is realizing in a new and compelling sense that "the real, the fundamental, the permanent object for which it exists on earth" is to interpret to others the revelation of God in Christ, making known His way among the people, His saving health among the nations. The world situation today emphasizes anew the fact that our nation can no longer live unto itself, or stand aloof from the rest of mankind. This consciousness opens up vast fields for service to those who are willing to join hands in the re-making of the world. With a full realization of the greatness of the task which the Lord has given us to perform as a Church, and the confident hope that in His own good time His Kingdom will come and His will be done through the prayers, labors and offerings of His people, we humbly lay before your Reverend Body a brief review of the work of your Board and of your missionaries in Japan and China.

THE WORK AT HOME

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

Term 1911-1917—Rev. James I. Good, D. D., LL. D., Rev. Frederick Mayer, D. D., Rev. Albert S. Bromer, Rev. Irwin W. Hendricks, D. D., Elder John W. Appel, Esq., Elder David A. Miller, Elder William W. Anspach, Elder Murray Galt Motter, M. D.

Term 1914-1920—Rev. Allen R. Bartholomew, D. D., Rev. Conrad Hassel, Rev. Charles E. Creitz, D. D., Rev. John M. G. Darms, D. D., Elder Joseph L. Lemberger, Phar. D., Elder George F. Bareis, Elder Horace Ankeney.

REORGANIZATION

The members of the Board met for reorganization on June 2, 1914 in the Assembly Hall of the Reformed Church Building, Philadelphia, Pa. The only change in the personnel of the Board was the election of the Rev. John M. G. Darms, D. D., who was chosen by the General Synod in place of the Rev. John H. Prugh, D. D. Dr. Prugh had been a faithful member of the Board for twenty-five years, serving as Vice-President and devoting much time to the work until failing health led him to decline re-election.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The following officers were elected for the term of three years:

President—Rev. James I. Good, D. D., LL. D., Philadelphia, Pa.

Vice-President—Hon. Horace Ankeney, Xenia, Ohio.

Secretary—Rev. Allen R. Bartholomew, D. D., Philadelphia, Pa.

Treasurer—Rev. Albert S. Bromer, Philadelphia, Pa.

Treasurer Emeritus—Dr. Joseph L. Lemberger, Lebanon, Pa.

The officers with Rev. Charles E. Creitz, D. D. and Elder David A. Miller were constituted the Executive Committee.

Additional Secretaries—Rev. Daniel Burghalter, D. D., Tiffin, Ohio and Rev. Jacob G. Rupp, Allentown, Pa., are the Field Secretaries. Mr. John H. Poorman, Philadelphia, Pa., is Secretary of the Mission Study Department carried on conjointly with the Board of Home Missions. Rev. William E. Lampe, Ph. D., is the Laymen's Secretary.

SPECIAL COMMITTEES

Finance—Elders William W. Anspach, Joseph L. Lemberger, P. D., and David A. Miller.

Literature—Rev. Allen R. Bartholomew, D. D., Rev. Albert S. Bromer and Rev. Conrad Hassel.

Home Base—Rev. Charles E. Creitz, D. D., Rev. Frederick Mayer, D. D., Elder John W. Appel and Elder George F. Bareis.

Foreign Field—Elder Horace Ankeney, Elder Murray Galt Motter, M. D., Rev. Irwin W. Hendricks, D. D., and Rev. John M. G. Darms, D. D.

Representatives on United Missionary and Stewardship Committee
—Rev. Allen R. Bartholomew, D. D., and Elder William W. Anspach.

TREASURER EMERITUS

After giving almost a quarter of a century of the most faithful and self-denying service to the Church as Treasurer of the Board, Elder Joseph L. Lemberger was made Treasurer Emeritus. Few men have served the Church so long and so well. He did what he could by voice and pen to show the Church the larger vision of service in her foreign missionary work, and he rejoices seeing that such labor has not been in vain in the Lord. The Board has made record of its appreciation by spreading on the Minutes the following tribute:

"In the election of Dr. Joseph L. Lemberger as Treasurer Emeritus of the Board of Foreign Missions with the specific duty of having in his charge and care the Endowment Funds of the Board,

"The Board hereby expresses its profound appreciation of the services rendered to the Board and to the Church by Dr. Lemberger during his term of office as Treasurer, extending over a period of twenty-four years. During most of this time his private credit was pledged to the payment of the obligations of the Board, and his shoulders were constantly under the burdens which the Board was carrying. His faith in the work, in the Church, and in God never wavered. When others faltered, he urged progressive action. His election as Treasurer Emeritus is an expression of the Board's honor and respect for him, and the commission of the Trust Funds of the Board into his care is a mark of the Board's confidence in his integrity and of his fidelity to his trust."

MEETINGS

Six meetings of the Board and sixteen meetings of the Executive Committee were held during the triennium.

HOME ON FURLOUGH

During the past three years the following missionaries have been at home on furlough:

From our Japan Mission—Rev. David B. Schneder, D. D., Rev. Elmer H. Zaugg, Ph. D., Rev. Allen K. Faust, Ph. D., Miss Ollie A. Brick. Miss B. Catherine Pifer and Rev. Christopher Noss, D. D., have arrived during 1917.

From our China Mission—Prof. Horace R. Lequear, Miss Alice

E. Traub, Dr. William F. Adams, Miss Rebecca N. Messimer, and Rev. William E. Hoy, D. D.

ILLNESS OF MISSIONARIES

There has been an unusual amount of illness among our missionaries during the past three years. The wives of Rev. Henry K. Miller and Rev. William A. Reimert had to come to this country for special treatment. Several of the missionaries in Japan and China have had to undergo operations. At this present time Prof. Horace R. Lequear is disabled for work. His recovery will be slow. He writes: "I am very sorry that when the Mission is so badly in need of men I must lay off so long."

There are no workers in the Church who are in greater peril of their health and who need the prayers of the Church as much as the men and women who are laboring in the remote places of the world. They look to us for our sympathy, confidence and support.

SUPPORT OF MISSIONARIES

The Board desires to record its appreciation of the support of individual missionaries by congregations, institutions and individuals. This has been one way of increasing the receipts of the Board, and it is the only way that our Church can hope to fulfill its high mission to the world. The Board is not unmindful of the fact that this involves noble sacrificial giving on the part of at least some of these churches and institutions. What has been done by some can be done by others, and we ask the General Synod for a direct action to bring this to their attention.

SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS

In order to afford poor but deserving boys and girls the benefit of a Christian education, it is necessary for the Board to encourage the Scholarship Funds. Great care is exercised by the teachers in our schools both in Japan and China so that only worthy students receive the benefits of these Scholarship Funds. The annual cost for the support of a student in North Japan College is \$40; in the Miyagi Girls' School, \$35; in the Bible Woman's Training School, Japan, \$37.50; in the Boys' and Girls' Schools at Yochow City and Shenchowfu, \$25. These contributions are known as "Scholarship Funds" and bear the names of the patrons. Reports will be sent once or twice a year by the principals of the schools, showing the progress the beneficiaries are making in their studies. It is the rule of the Board that all assignments must be made through

its Secretary. Contributions for this special object should be sent direct to the Board.

THE STATION PLAN

The Station Plan still continues to be an ideal arrangement for those who desire to come into closer touch with the missionary work abroad by furnishing a definite object for their interest and gifts. Many individuals as well as societies and congregations are contributing towards the support of stations in Japan and China. The annual support of a station varies from \$200 to \$600. This includes the salaries of the native evangelist and Bible Woman, rent, travel and incidental expenses. The Board recommends to individuals, societies and congregations the Station Plan as a most attractive phase of the foreign work.

NEED OF CHAPELS

There are at least thirty cities and towns in Japan and ten in China where our Missions should help to provide houses of worship for the native Christians. All the reasons that are urged for a church or chapel in this country apply with ten-fold force for chapels in Japan and China. After the group of Christians is supplied with a suitable house of worship, not many years are required before they go to self-support. In places where there are no chapels the alternative is to rent ordinary houses. There are two serious objections to this: the one is, there is no furniture that can be used, and places for Christian purposes should have benches or pews; the other is that so long as the Church occupies a rented house, the people, especially the younger and more intelligent element of every community, have reason to doubt the permanency of the work. The cost of a chapel varies from \$500 to \$5000, according to the needs of the community. The Board asks the General Synod to take special action urging congregations, societies and individuals to contribute Chapel Funds of \$1000 or \$500.

It is the judgment of Field Secretary Rupp, that "should our Church appropriate yearly \$5000 for chapels in Japan and \$3000 for China we could establish many permanent places of worship during the next ten years and as fast as it would be possible to man them. Knowing what our Church members did in the past, it should be possible for us by united prayers to find every year individuals throughout the Church, whom God has abundantly prospered to give these sums."

BEQUESTS

The bequests since the last General Synod meeting amount to \$13,561.99. This amount represents an increase of only about \$2000 over the previous triennium. The Board would remind the living of the responsibility of Stewardship and urge them in making their wills to include the work of Foreign Missions among the objects deserving of their remembrance. Several of the bequests during the past three years came into the treasury at most opportune times. We trust they may serve as inspiring examples to the members of means in our Church.

ANNUITY BONDS

It is with peculiar joy that the Board reports it has issued Annuity Bonds to members of the Church in the amount of \$22,050 during the past three years. An Annuity Bond offers a splendid method of "doing it now" for any who purpose giving to the work of Foreign Missions. By so doing, donors may receive the income upon their gift for life and have the satisfaction of knowing that such gifts will not be subject to the vicissitudes of settlement of estates or of any other depleting factor.

FOREIGN MISSION DAY

There is a growing interest on the part of pastors and people in regard to the observance of the second Sunday in February of each year as Foreign Mission Day. The Board aims to prepare the literature for this day with special reference to particular needs of the work in Japan and China. The Foreign Mission Day Services issued during the past three years were entitled, "The Prince of Peace," "God So Loved the World," "Lovest Thou Me?" The amount of the offerings for Foreign Mission Day, 1917, will be a record-breaker. The goal fixed was \$25,000, and this amount is assured. The money will be used towards the erection of the Woman's Hospital at Yochow City, China, and for the reopening of the Woman's Hospital at Shenchowfu which will be made possible by the re-location of the Boys' School.

The Board asks that the Epiphany Season of each year be again set apart as a season for special study, prayer and giving, to conclude with the observance by all our congregations and Sunday Schools of Foreign Mission Day on the second Sunday of February.

THE PRINCE OF PEACE FUND

One of the outstanding events of the past three years has been the gathering of the Prince of Peace Fund. Already at the meeting

of the General Synod at Lancaster, Pa., the pastors and elders there assembled saw the necessity of some determined effort and the Synod assured the Board of its hearty coöperation in their plans for paying the debt, and providing the funds for additional workers, chapels, school and hospital buildings. It was the earnest hope of the members of the Board and their associated workers to raise a fund of \$250,000. This amount would have been sufficient to pay the entire indebtedness then resting on our work of Foreign Missions and to supply the most needy workers and equipment for both of our Missions. Rev. Jacob G. Rupp had special charge of the campaign, and with Rev. Daniel Burghalter, D. D., deserves special mention for excellent service rendered. While we are unable to report that the full amount of the Prince of Peace Fund has been secured, yet we are under lasting obligations to the many pastors and members for their hearty support in helping to raise \$123,416.66 towards the indebtedness of \$132,000, as of January 1st, 1914.

ONE DAY'S INCOME

Since the regular contributions from the apportionment and specials are inadequate to carry forward our work in Japan and China, the Board through the General Synod would appeal to the members of the Church, and especially to our wealthy members, to contribute one day's income for the accomplishment of our great task, namely, the re-claiming of ten million souls for Christ in the non-Christian world. We believe that we have many members who will give at least one day's income every year to Foreign Missions provided they are encouraged to do so. If our Church believes that the Gospel is for the whole world, she is surely ready to come to the help of her Board that is entrusted with this important work. The success of our work in Japan and China demands a larger income. The needs are great; God has given us the means. The plan, "One Day's Income," is reasonable and should commend itself to all our people.

VISIT TO THE FIELD

During the past year Rev. and Mrs. Jacob G. Rupp paid a visit to Japan and China for the purpose of acquiring personal knowledge of the various fields and their special problems. Brother Rupp has come back with a glowing report of our work and with the firm conviction that the Church has made a wise investment of her men and means in the establishing of our two flourishing Missions.

He has seen the needs with his own eyes and he will plead with the Church that these should be met without delay.

CO-OPERATIVE WORK

It is with keen satisfaction that we allude to the splendid spirit of harmony prevailing among the agencies of the Church for the extension of the Redeemer's Kingdom in the world. Through the publication of "The Outlook of Missions," in the Mission Study Department, and by the Summer Missionary Conferences, the Board has been coöperating with the Board of Home Missions, the Woman's Missionary Society of General Synod, and with the Laymen's Missionary Movement and the United Missionary and Stewardship Committee, and we believe that these have been means for the strengthening of the forces in the home land.

"The Outlook of Missions" has a paid subscription list of 7750. This magazine is the organ of all the interests of Missions at home and abroad in our Church. It deserves a larger list of subscribers.

The Mission Study Department in charge of Mr. John H. Poorman is a most helpful agency in promoting an intelligent and systematic study of Missions. At the request of the Board of Foreign Missions, the Rev. James I. Good, D. D., LL. D., President of the Board, has prepared a Mission Study book on "Famous Reformers of the Reformed and Presbyterian Churches," which has been published conjointly with the Board of Home Missions, and is being used during the observance of the 400th Anniversary of the Protestant Reformation.

The Summer Missionary Conferences are growing in popularity as is evidenced by the fact that each year brings with it a demand from every section of our Church for the holding of new conferences.

The Board feels under grateful obligations to the Woman's Missionary Society of General Synod in offering to provide the funds for the entire cost of rebuilding the Ziemer Memorial Girls' School from their Thank Offering Fund as also in pledging the required amount for the Second Recitation Hall of the Miyagi Girls' School. These grants, amounting to about \$30,000, will be in addition to the regular contributions during the triennium by the women towards the support of the general work among the women and children in Japan and China. No greater encouragement could have been given the Board at a time of need, and it is a new evidence of the generous impulses of our noble women who are always willing to respond to the call for service.

The Laymen's Missionary Movement continues to exert a powerful influence in enlisting the men of our Church for active service in the missionary enterprise. The Men's Missionary Congress in Salem Church, Allentown, Pa., on November 16-18, 1915, brought together more than a thousand representative pastors and laymen, and its influence has been felt throughout the Church.

FOREIGN MISSIONS CONFERENCE OF NORTH AMERICA

Among the interdenominational agencies with which our Board coöperates, there is none that offers greater value to the officers and members of the Board than the annual meetings of this Conference. This organization represents all the leading Foreign Mission Boards of the United States and Canada. Its meetings afford a breadth of vision of mission problems and give a deeper insight into their solution than does any other organization. From the Board of Missionary Preparation, a special Committee of the Conference, our Board is receiving most helpful information in the raising of standards and the readjustment of methods of work.

FINANCES

The income of the Board for the triennium was \$521,849.32, an increase of \$161,266.15 over the former three years. Taking the actual expenditures of the past three years, namely, \$432,598.71, as a basis of the necessary expenses for the coming triennium, the cost of providing the immediate equipment and workers needed for our Japan and China Missions, maintaining these additional workers, estimated approximately at \$288,700, and the payment of the deficit as of December 31, 1916, \$45,437.16, making a total of \$766,735.87, the Board has voted to ask the General Synod through the United Missionary and Stewardship Committee for an annual appropriation of eighty cents per communicant member for the coming triennium,—this being the same amount as for the past triennium.

A STATEMENT OF NEEDS FOR THE TRIENNium

	<i>Fixed Annual Expenses</i>	<i>Triennial</i>
Japan Mission.....	\$85,000.00	
China Mission.....	45,000.00	
*Home expenses.....	30,000.00	
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	\$160,000.00	\$480,000.09

* See pages 64-65.

I. Japan Mission

Chapels:

Akita.....	\$4,500.00	
Ishinomaki.....	2,500.00	
Taira.....	4,500.00	
Koriyama.....	1,800.00	
Furukawa.....	1,800.00	
Tsurugaoka.....	1,800.00	
Sakata.....	1,800.00	
Shinjo.....	1,500.00	
Odaka.....	1,500.00	
Shiroishi.....	2,000.00	
Iwatsuki.....	1,500.00	
Oshi.....	1,000.00	
Kakuda.....	1,500.00	
Kanda (Tokyo).....	15,000.00	
		\$42,700.00

School Buildings and Missionary Residences in Japan

Four kindergartens, lots and buildings.....	12,000.00	
One Bible Woman's Training School, lot and residence...	12,000.00	
North Japan College, additional land and buildings.....	25,000.00	
Miyagi Girls' School, including equipment and additional residence.....	10,000.00	
Residence for Rev. Henry K. Miller.....	6,000.00	
Residence for Dr. Elmer H. Zaugg.....	4,000.00	
Residence for Prof. F. B. Nicodemus.....	4,000.00	
Residence for Rev. Paul F. Schaffner.....	4,000.00	
		\$77,000.00

Missionaries for Japan

Two lady teachers for Miyagi Girls' School		
One missionary kindergartner		
One teacher in North Japan College		
Two families for the Yamagata-Akita field		
One family in Fukushima prefecture		
Three missionary ladies for evangelistic work		
Annual expenses.....	\$10,000.00	\$30,000.00
Outfit and travel to the field.....		7,000.00

II. China Mission

Hwa Yung Chapel and two missionary residences.....	\$15,000.00	
Missionary residence, Lakeside, Rev. Edwin A. Beck.....	3,500.00	
Union Theological School, Changsha.....	8,000.00	
Residence for Rev. Paul E. Keller, Changsha..	4,000.00	
Residences at Shenchowfu for Rev. J. Frank Bucher and Rev. J. W. Owen.....	8,000.00	
Three chapels.....	7,500.00	
Girls' school dormitory, Shenchowfu.....	8,000.00	
Kindergarten lot, building and residence.....	6,000.00	
Additional equipment for schools and hospitals	5,000.00	
		\$65,000.00

Missionaries for China

Two missionary families for evangelistic work at Yochow		
Two missionary families for evangelistic work at Hwa Yung		
One medical missionary for hospital work at Yochow		
One lady teacher for the Ziemer Girls' School at Yochow		
One teacher (man) for Lakeside Schools at Yochow		
One lady teacher for the Girls' School at Shenchow		
One medical missionary for hospital work at Shenchow		
One kindergartner		
Annual expenses.....	\$10,000.00	\$30,000.00
Outfit and travel.....		7,000.00

III. Moslem World

To open a Mission in the Moslem World	\$5,000.00	\$15,000.00
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IV. Emergencies

	\$5,000.00	\$15,000.00
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Recapitulation

Fixed annual expenses for triennium.....	\$480,000.00	
Chapels in Japan.....	42,700.00	
School buildings and residences.....	77,000.00	
Ten missionaries, Japan.....	37,000.00	
Chapels and residences in China.....	65,000.00	
Ten missionaries, China.....	37,000.00	
Moslem World Mission.....	15,000.00	
Emergencies.....	15,000.00	
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	\$768 700.00	
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Total.....		\$814,137.16

THE WORK ABROAD

A glimpse of the nations as they are today shows a world in despair and death. There is need everywhere for the transforming power of the Gospel. Thanks be to God, men are hungry for the Bread of Life, and they are calling to us across the seas for it.

In Japan the need is increasingly felt for a religion that will give moral stamina to the nation. There is great commercial prosperity, largely due to war conditions. This prosperity relates itself to Christian work in that the contributions to Church work increase, and more young people have the means to attend our schools. The war does not retard the progress of the Gospel. Either because of it, or in spite of it, Christian work is exceptionally prosperous at the present time. Christian schools have more applicants than the buildings can hold; inquirers are more numerous than before; the revivals conducted by Kimura, Kanamori, and

Yamamuro are unusually successful. There is a great demand for Christian literature as a result of the three years' evangelistic campaign. The Japanese Government has a kindly feeling towards Christian work. Over one-half of the number of special decorations conferred by the Emperor at the time of his Coronation were given to Christians. The friendly feeling existing between Japan and the United States is stronger now than for the past ten years.

But Japan needs the Gospel. Her very success in so many different material lines makes this need so much the more imperative. It has been said that agnosticism and philosophical pessimism constitute the main cause of her annual quota of two hundred and fifty suicides to every one million population. The moral status of both city and country life shows the sad need of a Power that makes for righteousness and purity.

Missionaries write that there is intellectual progress but moral decay. The Christian forces in Japan are calling loudly for more help from the Church in America to help evangelize rural Japan. The Pacific does not separate us from Japan—it unites the two countries. If Japan is to get the Gospel it must come from the American side. It cannot come from Asia. This is a great challenge and opportunity to our Church. Now is the time for advance, when the Protestant missionaries are united in a forward movement and call for five hundred new missionaries to “buy up the opportunity.”

“China,” says Bishop Bashford, “is not only a giant awake, but is pacing the floor with growing pains.” Many years ago Prof. Henry Drummond already saw in China “the greatest mission field in the world.” It is this without a rival. It is so because this great republic is open to the missionaries, its government is favorable to reforms, and its people are ready for a new civilization. The whole nation seems alive to the need of modern education. The death of Yuan Shih Kai and the accession of President Li Yuan Hung has brought a degree of quiet, and there is hope that the mighty nation will settle down to solving its problems. There is a yearning among the people for the light that streams from the Word of God. Students gather in crowds to hear the message of salvation. One student writes: “We accept the Western system of education, of science and history and mathematics; why should we not also take the religion of Jesus Christ which comes from the West?”

The missionaries have access to the life of the people as never before, and in the time of suffering their message has been more welcomed than in the days of prosperity. One of the most timely and widely current words in the Chinese Church is "evangelism." The door stands wide open for all forms of evangelization. There is great willingness to listen and less opposition than ever before. "West China has never been so open to the Gospel as today." The cry of need in China is for a million school teachers to teach the sixty million pupils, and for an army of physicians and nurses to minister to the dying multitudes. There is a unique opportunity for the Christian Church to mould the future of China.

NEW MISSIONARIES

One dark shadow resting upon the work of the Board during the past triennium is the fact that we have been unable to add workers to our forces on the foreign field. With forces depleted and openings unheeded, the new missionaries have not even filled the vacancies caused by resignations and death. This was due both to lack of sufficient funds and of suitable candidates. The names of those entering upon the service of the Board are as follows:

For the Japan Mission: Rev. Alfred Ankeney, Xenia, Ohio, son of Hon. Horace Ankeney, a member of the Board; Rev. Paul F. Schaffner, Hummelstown, Pa. Prof. F. B. Nicodemus, formerly teacher under the Japanese government in Formosa, united with our Mission at a financial sacrifice which he gladly made for the privilege of engaging in direct missionary work. Miss Elsie J. Seymour of Cleveland, Ohio, and Miss Lola Lindsey of Coffeyville, Kansas, were appointed as short term teachers in the Miyagi Girls' School, Sendai.

For the China Mission: Prof. Karl H. Beck, Tiffin, Ohio; Miss Elizabeth J. Miller, Akron, Ohio; Miss Marion P. Firor, Sabillasville, Md. Rev. J. W. Owen, missionary for thirteen years under the China Inland Mission, united with our Mission in the fall of 1916.

The following persons are under appointment:

For Japan: Mr. Oscar M. Stoudt of Quakertown, Pa. He will graduate this year from Franklin and Marshall College, and he is a member of the First Reformed Church, Quakertown, Pa.

For China: Miss Esther I. Sellemeyer of Decatur, Ind. She will graduate this year from Heidelberg University, and she is a member of Zion's Reformed Church, Decatur, Ind.

RESIGNATIONS OF MISSIONARIES

From the Japan Mission: Rev. Jesse F. Steiner, Ph. D.; Miss Margaret J. Leader.

From the China Mission: Miss Anna C. Kanne, Miss Meta M. Bridenbaugh (married Prof. Karl H. Beck).

DIED

One of the sad providences in our work was the loss by death of Rev. Herman H. Cook of Yamagata, Japan. He died of pneumonia in Tokyo, April 7, 1916. His funeral took place at Sendai, April 9, 1916. Missionary Cook gave thirteen years of his life to the Master's service on the mission field. He was a man who tried to make full proof of his holy calling. No hardships were too severe for him to endure on his long and tedious itinerating trips. He knew that the Truth would bear fruit, and for that reason he was instant in season and out of season in proclaiming it. Why he should be taken away from his work so early in life and in the midst of such great usefulness will remain a mystery to us. Our duty is to accept this strange providence as coming from a Loving Father with the assurance that it will work good to them that love and serve Him. Brother Cook leaves a widow and six orphan girls to mourn his loss.

In the booklet entitled "The Apostle of Ryo-U" the Board has tried to gather up a few threads in the life of an humble servant who became a great factor in making the Gospel known in the large Yamagata and Akita prefectures in Japan. It is hoped that its perusal will inspire the members in our home churches with a greater zeal for good and arouse in them a deeper sense of responsibility in the reclaiming of souls. The closing words of his last letter to the Secretary of the Board should be a challenge to the Church: "The work is beginning to grow so fast that I cannot manage it much longer alone. I appeal to you and to the Church for aid."

MISSIONARY RESIDENCES

A number of our missionaries in Japan and China are without homes. As a result these workers are living in discomfort and they are not able to do their best work. This need has been before the Church for years. The Board realizes now more than ever that proper houses should be provided for all our missionaries. The average missionary residence in Japan and China costs from

\$2500 to \$3500, exclusive of land. Building in Japan and China in recent years is quite as expensive as at home. Land values are also increasing at a surprising rate. Rev. Henry K. Miller of Tokyo, Rev. Elmer H. Zaugg, Ph. D., and Prof. F. B. Nicodemus of Sendai, Rev. Paul F. Schaffner of Wakamatsu, Rev. Edwin A. Beck of Yochow City, Rev. J. Frank Bucher and Rev. J. W. Owen of Shenchowfu, and Rev. Paul E. Keller of Changsha are still without suitable homes.

SALARIES OF MISSIONARIES

Owing to the extraordinary increase in the cost of living expenses in Japan and China which is even greater than in America, our missionaries, especially in Japan, have made request for an increase in salaries. In China the loss due to exchange into silver money has greatly reduced the purchasing value of the missionary's salary. In the churches at home the members are beginning to relieve their pastors by increasing their salaries, and we owe the same consideration to our workers on the foreign field. The salaries of our missionaries are the same now as they were thirty-eight years ago when our Church began the Japan Mission and yet the prices of everything in the Orient have gone up on an average of about 100%.

The Committee of the Japan Mission appointed to investigate the matter of missionaries' salaries has assured the Board that only dire necessity impels the Mission to appeal to the Board for relief in the matter of support, the situation having become acute. They have sent this brief explanation of their report on salaries and allowances: "The difficulty of living on our salaries has been steadily increasing. Several missionaries are in debt with not very good prospects of getting out if there is no increase in salary. Others are obliged to exercise strict economy and go without things in order to be able to meet their obligations from month to month. Books are among the things that must be foregone. We believe that we are not extravagant in our habits. We regret that this request has to be made in the face of the Board's indebtedness. Partly on that account we have been silent since our first petition was made. However, our straitened circumstances have forced us to renew our appeal."

Without entering into unnecessary details the Committee submits the following recommendations, believing that, in view of all circumstances, they represent a fair mean between two extremes:

SALARIES

	Married	Single men and women
First 5 years.....	\$1300	\$750
6 to 15 years.....	1400	800
16 to 20 years.....	1500	850
After 20 years.....	1600	900

CHILDREN'S ALLOWANCES

From 1 to 7 years of age.....	\$50
From 8 to 14 years of age.....	100
From 15 to 21 years of age.....	200

Dr. Arthur J. Brown says: "The fact should be borne in mind that centuries of Christian civilization on the one hand and of heathen barbarism on the other have created a wide gulf between the methods of living of Heathenism and Christendom. A white man who is the product of these centuries of civilization simply cannot bridge that gulf and live as his ancestor did five hundred years ago. Therefore for him to be careful and for the Boards to equip him so that he can be careful is not luxury or extravagance but common prudence. His better house and mode of living are themselves an object lesson of the uplifting influence of Christianity. He goes out to lift the heathen up to his level, not to go down to theirs."

UNION THEOLOGICAL SCHOOL

Three years ago the Missions of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A., the United Evangelical Church, the Wesleyan Methodist Church and our own Church in the Province of Hunan united in the establishing of a Union Theological School at Changsha, the capital of the province. Our Board gave the Mission permission to enter this union theological institution. Rev. Paul S. Keller has been appointed by the Mission as one of the professors. Our proportionate share of the running expenses per year is about \$200. The Board has contributed \$2000 toward the buildings and we will be expected to contribute an additional \$6000. It will also be necessary to provide a residence for our professor.

UNION MEDICAL SCHOOL

The Mission also contributes \$250 annually toward the Union Medical School at Hankow. We regard this as a wise investment, for several of our native physicians are graduates of this school.

LANGUAGE SCHOOLS

It is a fixed rule with our Missions both in Japan and China that all new missionaries for Japan must spend one year in the Language School at Tokyo, and for China one year in the Language School at Nanking. This arrangement permits the new missionaries to apply themselves without any interruption to the study of a most difficult language.

SCHOOLS FOR FOREIGN CHILDREN

One of the most serious problems that has been facing the Missions and the Boards in the past is the education of the children of the missionaries. Fortunately, this problem is being solved by Schools in Tokyo and Shanghai. The first children of our Japan Mission to avail themselves of this privilege were those of Rev. and Mrs. H. H. Cook, and of our China Mission those of Rev. and Mrs. William A. Reimert.

During the past triennium the Board has contributed \$860 towards the maintenance of the Tokyo Grammar School. Negotiations are under way with the School at Shanghai that will enable our missionaries to place their children in the School at greatly reduced rates.

CLASSIS OF HUNAN

Two years ago the Classis of Hunan in China petitioned the Eastern Synod to permit of its dissolution in order to further the movement of bringing the native congregations of our Mission into organic union with the Native Church, known as the Presbyterian Church of Christ in China. The Eastern Synod expressed its willingness to dissolve said Classis, provided it met with the approval of the Board of Foreign Missions and was done in accordance with the Constitution of the Reformed Church in the United States. The Board acquiesced in this action, and now reports the same to your reverend body. The Christians in China have no desire to perpetuate sectarian lines in founding churches, and the missionaries are helping them in carrying out this laudable purpose.

CHRISTIAN LITERATURE IN THE MISSION FIELD

Since the World Missionary Conference at Edinburgh in 1910, the subject of Christian literature has been receiving much careful attention. Leaders in the missionary enterprise are of one mind that in order to secure the permanency of the labors of missionaries, it is necessary to create and maintain a Christian liter-

ature. This is a work that cannot be successfully carried on by a single Board. The only hope lies in coöperation between all the Societies at the home-base. Important conferences have been held during the past three years, and it is the unanimous conviction of the leading minds in foreign lands and in the homeland, that literary work should have its place side by side with educational, medical and philanthropic work in the program and in the budget of every Board. Religious book-shops should be established in strategic centers, and all missionaries should understand the importance of a wise distribution of tracts, leaflets and books. Our Missions both in Japan and China are awake to the need for suitable Christian literature, and they have been asking the Board for special annual grants of money to help them in coöperative ways to strengthen this arm of the Christian service on the foreign field.

JAPAN MISSION EVANGELISTIC WORK

Rev. Jairus P. Moore, D. D.; Rev. Christopher Noss, D. D.; Rev. Henry K. Miller; Rev. Carl D. Kriete; Rev. Alfred Ankeney; and Miss B. Catherine Pifer—Missionaries in Charge.

Remembering that upon these few evangelistic missionaries rests the direct responsibility of reaching with the message of the Gospel the three and one-half millions of the population in Japan for whom we are responsible, it is no surprise that all their reports and letters should ring loudly with appeals for additional workers. The number of missionaries in the evangelistic service of our Mission, in proportion to the number of Japanese workers, is extremely low as compared with the ratios that prevail in other Missions. The result is that an evangelistic missionary living in the country, when he is not itinerating, finds his time occupied by administrative duties, and he is unable to do much work or exercise much influence in the city where he resides, not to speak of language study or correspondence with the home base. There is an urgent request on the part of the Mission that as a first step to relieve the situation a competent stenographer be sent out immediately. Such a person could relieve the missionaries of much routine work so that they would be free to apply themselves to do specific evangelistic work. The Mission office could also attend to reports, estimates, audits and other clerical work, and could see to it that proper information is regularly sent to supporters in America.

The statistics of the past year show commendable signs of progress. The war has had no unfavorable influence along this line. The fears expressed by many at the beginning of the war as to the retarding effect it might have upon Mission work have, fortunately, not materialized, and the prophets of evil have been agreeably disappointed. On the contrary, in one or two respects, the effect has been for good. First, it has made thinking men and women more serious, and again many Japanese Christians have realized that at a time when so-called Christian nations are so flagrantly trampling under foot the principles of our religion, and of humanity, we ought to be the more faithful and earnest in our individual Christian life in order to counteract, as far as possible, the prejudice and evil influences of the present state of things in the world at large.

The three years' Evangelistic Campaign conducted in our field was especially fruitful. Thousands of people gave their names as inquirers. In centers like Sendai, Yamagata and Wakamatsu the effects of Mr. Kanamori's work have been most encouraging. In Sendai there were more than two hundred inquirers. At the meetings held in Wakamatsu one hundred and eighty-eight persons were led to profess to follow Christ, and two-thirds of these expressed a preference for our Church, which is but one of the six Christian bodies in the city.

At Yamagata a number of counties held a joint Fair. The Christians put up a tent at the Fair and conducted daily preaching services for about six weeks. Many people were reached in this way, and a large number of seekers was secured. Wherever a real effort was made, results were sure to follow. Our missionaries are daily given evidence that the Japanese people as a whole are most kindly disposed toward all foreigners. Dr. William Adams Brown in his addresses well said that the tendency to brotherhood is stronger than the tendency to mistrust, and that international suspicion is so unnatural that it has to be cultivated artificially. Some Nationalists and some Buddhists still oppose and malign the missionaries.

In 1916 our annual Evangelistic Conference was held in Yonezawa. The churches of the city gave these Christian workers a public reception in the City Assembly Hall, at which the Mayor and principal citizens united in welcoming them, and a son of the former Lord of Yonezawa, a member of our Church, personally performed an ancient dance in honor of our missionaries. This

reception was typical. What the missionaries have to do is to make good.

The Fukushima Church has become self-supporting, due in large measure, to having been provided with a proper house of worship about seven years ago.

At Iizaka the Mission purchased a very desirable lot with two old buildings. These buildings have been combined and transformed into a neat little chapel, the whole plant costing less than \$500. The Christians at Iizaka will pay the entire amount. Dr. Noss has furnished a most interesting story, which he entitles "A Miracle at Iizaka." It is as follows:

"It was the evening of Ash Wednesday, March 8, 1916. The little congregation at Iizaka had gathered for prayer. The attendance was unusually small; only seven were present, and these felt depressed. A month previously, at the close of the year according to the old calendar, they had agreed to buy at a bargain a little lot of ground right in the center of the town, an ideal location. There were two old buildings on the lot, and they had planned to roll them together and remodel them so as to make a neat little chapel and rooms for the Sunday School. But, as is always the case in such an enterprise, the cost was going far beyond their first estimate. At this time they were especially discouraged to hear that one hundred and fifty feet of foundation stones would be required, and the cost of the stone would be \$20 (in American money). To an American congregation this would not be at all a large sum, but to the seven at Iizaka it seemed impossible. Added to all the other charges it was the last straw. The mason had explained that at the quarry where the people of Iizaka are wont to get their building stone a large block high up on the side would have to be removed before it would be safe to take out any more.

"Now the seven have just the kind of faith that the Lord delights to honor. In their depression they prayed intensely. While they were praying the place was shaken by a single violent earthquake jar.

"The next morning the mason came and revised his estimate; the foundation stones, he said, would cost only half of what he had stated. In the night the large block had been thrown down and split into convenient pieces at a convenient place.

"Some may call it a coincidence; but our friends at Iizaka call it a miracle."

The congregation at Shiroishi has, without aid from the Mission, raised nearly \$500, bought additional land, removed the old chapel to the rear of the lot and rebuilt it in such a way that it can be used temporarily as a chapel and permanently as a parsonage.

The Koishikawa Church in Tokyo is making rapid strides towards self-support. This congregation owes its origin and much of its growth to the earnest and self-effacing labors of Miss Pifer, and is in itself one of the best proofs of woman's work, as also an eager call to the Church to supply other women evangelists.

The Akita chapel will be erected during the year 1917. This is a city of 40,000, the capital of the province and a most inviting field for missionary effort. The location of a foreign missionary here is imperative.

The work at Azabu in Tokyo was started two years ago by Rev. Shohei Arai with very encouraging prospects, but this devoted servant of God died ere he could see his expectations realized. Our missionary Henry K. Miller is directing the work, but it is important to provide a chapel without delay.

At Shinjo the people are most anxious to have a church property at once. They are willing to do their share. A Christian resident, guest member of our Church, has made an offer of a suitable site for a church building if the Mission will build this year. Not only will we receive the land outright, but the members of the church have already deposited about \$100 with the Mission Treasurer for the building and are busy at work on the second \$100. A very earnest railroad superintendent, having the oversight of about two hundred and fifty men, has joined the church. Missionary Kriete writes: "An order to build accompanied by the necessary money would greatly encourage the Christians just now. Could you not make known to some earnest layman this opportunity to successfully invest \$360?"

Taira, one of the strategic centers in our field along the coast line railroad, should be supplied with a chapel. The cost will be about \$3000. Towards it the Board has one Chapel Fund of \$500, known as "The Christian and Lewis Henry Steiner Memorial Fund."

In the Evangelistic Report for the past year Dr. Noss writes: "One of the most fruitful forms of evangelization is going about from village to village twice a year or oftener and supplying suitable literature to the inquirers found. Some who demand baptism and prove worthy to receive it are enrolled in the nearest congregation, which in some cases, is fifty or sixty miles distant."

The late missionary, Rev. Herman H. Cook, pursued methods of evangelistic work which deserve a place in this report. We quote his own language as follows:

"As a rule we take a revolving duplicator, a magic lantern, a big bundle of tracts and a Sunday School picture roll with us. Travelling on an autocyte with side car, we fly through the country at the rate of about fifteen miles an hour. Arriving at a place in a village where we can easily gather a crowd of people we stop, blow the horn for a few minutes and sing a hymn. By this time from twenty-five to one hundred people have gathered around us to learn what the excitement is about. We now take out the picture roll, and after a few introductory words begin to explain a picture, with the people listening intently. While one of us explains, the other distributes tracts. After telling the people how they can obtain further instruction in Christianity, we bid them farewell and go on to the next village, where we repeat the same, and so on, till we reach the place where we expect to hold a meeting in the evening."

A very hopeful but often overlooked aspect of the work of spreading the Gospel in Japan is the fact that thousands of the Japanese men and women who, through our efforts during the past thirty-eight years, have become Christians and have been baptized by our workers, are scattered over the whole Empire; not a few of them are living in Korea, China, and the western part of the United States. Many of these members are powerful centers of Christian influence—active particles of the Gospel leaven that do a much more far-reaching and effective work in the Lord's vineyard than would have been possible if they had stayed in the place where they were baptized. Though their names can no longer be included in our Mission statistics, most of them continue to hold their membership in the Church of Christ in Japan. This Japanese Church is the largest Protestant body in Japan, having a membership of 35,000. To this Church, in cooperation with the Missions of the Presbyterian Churches and the Reformed Church in America, our Mission contributes its quota of members. This quota, last year, amounted to 385 members.

THE "BILLY SUNDAY" OF JAPAN

It is to our Church a matter of justifiable pride that Reverend Seimatsu Kimura, the "Billy Sunday" of Japan, is one of our North Japan College boys. He struggled his way through school by working in our Industrial Home. Many years ago he came to

America to hear Mr. Moody and learn from him. Later he again came to this country to study the methods of Billy Sunday. Kimura is a man of prayer and of magnetic eloquence in the pulpit, and is now leading thousands of souls into the Kingdom.

BIBLE WOMAN'S WORK

The Bible Woman's work is in charge of a Special Committee, and is an important branch of evangelism. This Committee has the oversight of the Bible Women at the various outstations, supports the students in training in the Higher Bible Course in the Miyagi Girls' School, pays the expenses of the Sunday School workers sent out by the school to Sunday Schools in and around Sendai, and fosters kindergarten work.

A special feature of the Committee's work is the work among the silk factory girls. Some of these girls are obliged to work from five o'clock in the morning until ten o'clock at night, seven days a week, with less than two hours off during the entire day for meals. They are given two holidays a month. One of our zealous workers is seeking new ways of influencing the lives of thousands of girls who work under such inhuman conditions in the silk factories.

Considerable progress has been made in the Bible Woman's work in recent years. The number of workers has been increasing, and the needs of the work have been specially brought to the attention of the Church. The hope is expressed that the class of workers may be gradually improved, as well as the number increased, and that the work may have more adequate supervision.

At the present time there are great difficulties in the way. The demand for Bible Women far exceeds the supply. One reason why the workers are so scarce is because the Mission has not been able to provide proper training. Girls with a definite purpose to do evangelistic work have not been able to get their preparation in a partial course such as ours has been in the past. The Mission hopes to remove this difficulty by the training course now in operation in the Miyagi Girls' School.

In reporting for the Bible Woman's Committee, Miss Brick says: "Another great difficulty is the lack of women missionaries. To do this work properly and to make it count as it should, there should be at least three or four foreign missionary women in evangelistic work. There is at present only one woman in evangelistic work, and there is no one at all who is in a position to give all of

her time to the work of the Bible Women. There are so many practical difficulties, big and little, in the carrying out of this work, and so many different things that need to be done that it is impossible for anyone to do it unless it can be her main work.

"We believe in Japanese women; we believe in what they are going to accomplish for their country; and we wish to have a worthy share in helping them to accomplish their task. The time has come for our Mission to put aside the old half-way method of training Bible Women and to make adequate provision for producing such women workers as are needed now throughout all our work; and also for giving the workers in the field proper guidance and care."

KINDERGARTEN WORK

At the present time the Mission has two kindergartens in operation. The one at Yamagata occupies temporary quarters, and the one at Miharu uses the chapel. Buildings should be provided for the purpose at a minimum cost of \$1000 (not including the land), together with a sufficient playground, and initial outfit, including organ, and costing about \$150. In some instances the plant may well be made the home of the local Sunday School and even temporary meeting place of the congregation. Each kindergarten should be supplied with a Japanese Christian kindergartner and an assistant, the former having at least two years' special training. It is very important that the kindergartner, through mothers' meetings and in similar ways, should be able to follow up the work and make it tell for the evangelization of the community. The Mission recommends, as the first step towards the ideal, that a woman specialist be sent to take charge of the kindergarten work of the Mission. The Board has encouraged the opening of a third kindergarten at Sendai, and has voted \$640 this year for kindergarten work, which the Woman's Missionary Society of General Synod will assume. There is no more inviting or effective field for Christian work than the kindergarten. Given the proper facilities which will meet the government requirements, a large part of the expenses can be obtained from tuition fees.

SUNDAY SCHOOL WORK

In Japan the Sunday School is a very popular form of Christian work. Dr. Faust makes the startling statement that probably one million of children could be gotten into the Sunday School inside of a month if there were houses and the necessary teachers.

Dr. Faust has had an experience of over twenty-five years in Sunday School work, fifteen of these in Japan, and he has been one of the leaders in the development of the Sunday School work in North Japan. His "Text-Book on Religious Pedagogy and Hand-Book for School Workers in Japan," has proven an instrument of great use in preparing Sunday School officers and teachers in their work. The Reformed Church should rejoice that one of its best missionaries, engaged with so many other duties, has been able to find time to prepare such a valuable book as this. How important it is will be seen by mentioning the fact that we have in connection with our Japan Mission 89 Sunday Schools which have 249 teachers and an average attendance of 4454 pupils.

EDUCATIONAL WORK

We know of no better words that will convey to the Church the value of her Christian schools in foreign lands than the closing words of Acting President T. Demura's report on North Japan College for 1916. He says: "It is our growing conviction that the destiny of the Kingdom of God in Japan, and the hope of salvation of this country men will ultimately depend upon effective Christian Education. Anyone who understands the real nature of Japanese people will not fail to appreciate that any gift, any help, and any sacrifice done for the Christian Education of this country is the best investment for the cause of the Gospel."

NORTH JAPAN COLLEGE

Teachers—Rev. David B. Schneder, D. D.; Prof. Paul L. Gerhard; Rev. William G. Seiple, Ph. D.; Rev. Elmer H. Zaugg, Ph. D.; Miss Mary E. Gerhard, and Prof. F. B. Nicodemus.

North Japan College is the largest educational institution of our Reformed Church. It has a nation-wide influence. Last year one hundred and fifty applicants could not enter for lack of room. At the Commencement exercises, held on March 27, 1917, there were 51 graduates from the Middle School Department (Academy); 10 from the Literary Course (College); and 6 from the Theological Special Course (Seminary),—making a total of 67. The audience of friends was large, and at no other school commencement of the city was there such a large attendance of leading men. Besides the Governor, the Mayor, and the General in command of the army division garrisoned at Sendai, who all delivered congratulatory addresses, there were present also the President of the Imperial

University of Sendai, the Ex-Mayors, a member of Parliament, and others of distinction. The Governor in his address praised the institution as a character-building agency, and said that society expects the graduates to realize in their lives the Christian character-teaching they have received.

Of the 51 Middle School graduates, 29 are baptized Christians; of the 10 Literary Course graduates, 8 are Christians. Of the 10 Literary graduates, 4 intend to study for the ministry. Of the six theological graduates five have already been assigned to fields of labor; the sixth is a Korean, the first to graduate from the institution, who will probably spend one year more in Japan before he takes up work in his native country. He will probably be heard of in the years to come as one of the leaders in the Korean Church. The entire theological class was a strong one this year, and will make a substantial addition to our evangelistic force.

Notwithstanding this splendid report, in view of the great mission of the school, and in view of the great progress and improvement in the non-Christian schools, we should not be satisfied, but strive to strengthen the school for more effective service in the cause of Christ.

Dr. David B. Schneder, President of North Japan College, writes: "The largest and one of the most pressing needs at present is the need of a building or buildings for the College Department. North Japan College has a fine Middle School or Academy building, erected in 1905; also a good Theological Seminary building, erected in 1890; but it has no College building. The college work is done in several small rooms constructed years ago for another purpose. The result of this situation is that while the Academy work is flourishing numerically, educationally, and spiritually, and has won national reputation, the College, in spite of faithful effort, cannot fulfill its mission as an arm of the Church's missionary work in Japan.

"(a) It cannot furnish the strong, efficient, native ministry that is needed for the work in Japan.

"(b) It cannot send out into the other walks of life the strong, intelligent Christian laity that is needed in the life of the Japanese Church. The graduates of our Academy who go as baptized Christians up into the higher government schools or out into life, are, as a rule, too immature in their Christianity to make strong Christian leaders.

"(c) The institution cannot become the strong Christian center in North Japan which it is its responsibility to become in view

of the fact that it is the only Christian school for young men in North Japan. The institution has a mission to the whole future of Christianity in North Japan.

"Other institutions have gone ahead in the equipment of their College work. Of the five other Christian schools in Japan of the type of North Japan College, two already have their College buildings and two others are now building, one of them at a cost of over \$100,000. There is an additional reason for going forward—there is now a movement on foot to establish a great interdenominational Christian University in Tokyo, for purely professional education. It is a movement that is essential to the firm establishment of Christianity in the Japanese Empire. But such a University will call for the full equipment of the College Departments of the several Christian schools now existing. North Japan College must be in line for the sake of the great general cause of winning Japan for Christ."

During the furlough of Dr. Schneder, and during the stay of Mrs. Schneder a campaign is being waged to raise a fund for additional land and buildings. Already several very liberal contributions have been made to this fund.

THE INDUSTRIAL HOME

Rev. Ezra H. Guinther—Missionary in Charge.

This Home helps worthy boys to obtain a Christian education. Thirty boys have been in the Home during the past year. Twenty-two are Christians, and the boys that have not yet become Christians are those who have been in the Home only one or two years. One boy who had been in the Home for four years died of pneumonia. He was baptized by Dr. Schneder just before his return to America on his last furlough. He was a faithful Christian and well liked by his associates.

Missionary Guinther writes: "The one regret that we have is that the boys do not have a better building for their home. The doctor who cared for the boy that died said that if they had had a better place to put the boy his life might have been saved, but that this building was no place for a sick boy. The former Monitor, who is one of the most earnest Christians that I know of, influenced by the death of this boy and the poor condition of the building, although fully intending to enter the Theological School this spring to prepare himself for evangelistic work, has for the present given this up and has gone out to earn money that a better

building may be provided for the Industrial Home. By the time he will be able to do this the building will have long ceased to be a fit place for a person to live in. \$2500 would build a good home for the boys. We have at present a Building Fund of \$250. Is there not some one who would be willing to provide the funds so that the boys who are trying so hard to get an education may have a fit place in which to live?"

DECORATED BY THE EMPEROR

That the nation recognizes the fine work the North Japan College is doing for its young manhood was evidenced by His Majesty, the Emperor of Japan, in granting the decoration of the Fourth Order of the Rising Sun to Dr. Schneder, the President of North Japan College, in appreciation of his educational work in Japan, and of his efforts in the maintenance of friendly relations between Japan and America. The "Kahohu Shimpō," one of the Sendai dailies and the leading newspaper in northern Japan, in making the announcement of this special honor, said: "Dr. Schneder not merely loves Japan, but he has the disposition not to hesitate to make any sacrifice in the expression of this love. The love of most Occidentals for Japan is limited to admiration of her fine arts, of her beautiful scenery or of her gentle national spirit; but Dr. Schneder's love for Japan is of that self-sacrificing kind that loves for the sake of loving Japan herself. By this we know what his spirit is towards Japan." The Church may well felicitate herself that a member of our Mission has been thus honored, and we know that the honor has been richly deserved.

MIYAGI GIRLS' SCHOOL

Teachers—Rev. Allen K. Faust, Ph. D., Miss Kate I. Hansen, Miss Lydia A. Lindsey; Miss Elsie Seymour and Miss Lola Lindsey, short-term teachers.

This institution for young women shares the honors with our institution for young men. There has been a strengthening of her stakes and a lengthening of her cords during the past three years. The School now has a regular Board of Managers, with a Constitution to govern its workings. In the Higher Department there are four courses: (1) English; (2) Music; (3) Domestic Science; and (4) Bible.

The new dormitory for the Bible Woman's School will accommodate twenty-four students. Since 1914 the number of students

has increased from 150 to 211, the faculty has been decidedly strengthened, and the educational efficiency of the school much enhanced. The religious life and activity is steadily growing, and the confidence of the people has been gained to an unprecedented degree. As one proof of this fact, last year there were ten daughters of military officers in the school. It is a well known fact that the military class has long been the strongest opponent of Christianity in Japan. But this opposition is now quietly breaking down to such an extent that the leaders are bringing their daughters to the school that they may receive a Christian education.

Principal Faust writes: "The Miyagi Girls' School is still in the infancy of its usefulness, and in many points the institution does not yet measure up to what it must be if it is to utilize to the full the splendid opportunities that lie before it. But the fact that it has made solid and unmistakable advance in not a few directions will be to the hearts of our Reformed people a strong encouragement towards doing still greater things, and a fit cause for humble gratitude to Him, Who, after our planting and watering, alone 'giveth the increase.'"

The Miyagi Girls' School has more applicants than it can accommodate. The students come from Government schools and seek admission. It has become necessary to hold competitive examinations for entrance. The school has a firm hold on Japanese society. Seventy per cent. of the students are baptized Christians,—the highest percentage of all Christian schools in Japan. As an evangelistic force its influence is well nigh incalculable. Students not only become intelligent Christians, but they go out and teach in the Sunday Schools. Many of the graduates become Christian mothers and they establish Christian homes, and these in turn build a Christian nation.

To the honor of our Woman's Missionary Society of General Synod be it said that they not only contribute liberally towards the maintenance of the school, but they are also supplying the funds for the erection of the Second Recitation Hall, a building that will cost about \$17,000. This will supply a great need and it will make it possible for the school to lay hold of golden opportunities.

TRANSFER OF EVANGELISTIC WORK

The Japan Mission of the Reformed Church in America and our own Japan Mission have unanimously sent a Proposal to the two respective Boards, urging them separately and jointly to

accede to it sympathetic and careful consideration. They regard this Proposal of the greatest importance to the cause of Christ in Japan.

This Proposal is that the evangelistic work of the Japan Mission of the Reformed Church in America in the prefectures of Iwate and Aomori (see cut on following page) shall be transferred to the Japan Mission of the Reformed Church in the United States. In brief, this work consists of two stations and seven outstations, each in charge of an evangelist, and requires an expenditure, apart from the salary and expenses of a missionary, of about \$3000 a year. Both Missions have come to a practical unanimity upon the subject of transfer, and their judgment is clear that the proposed action is greatly to the advantage of both Missions, will advance the general welfare of the Kingdom of Christ in Japan, and will especially be favorable to the development of the Nippon Kirisuto Kyokwai (Church of Christ in Japan), with which these two Missions are connected and for which they are working. This is also the unanimous verdict of the leading Japanese workers in this Church. It should be stated that the native pastors and evangelists of both Missions belong to one and the same ecclesiastical body, namely, the Miyagi Classis.

The main reasons for the transfer of this work at this time are as follows: On the part of the Japan Mission of the Reformed Church in America there is a feeling that its missionaries are too widely scattered, coupled with a perception that a large work is awaiting it in Kyushu, the southern island,—a work sufficiently large to call for all of its energies. On the part of our Mission the foremost considerations are a perception of the justice of the position taken by the sister Mission, and a conviction that, in the providence of God, its educational institutions in Sendai, with all the work that necessarily centers in that city, give the Mission such a position that the work in Aomori and Iwate prefectures falls naturally within its sphere of influence.

"It is, therefore, in the spirit of mutual confidence, of larger vision, and of faith in God and in the Churches which have sent them out, that your missionaries place this proposal before you and look for a favorable response.

THE PROPOSAL

"In order to be able to lay before you a concrete proposal, the following terms of transfer have been agreed upon as satisfactory to the Missions, and they are respectfully recommended to the Boards for favorable action.



"(1) The transfer shall go into effect at a date to be agreed upon by the two Missions; not earlier than the first of September, 1917, or later than the first of March, 1918.

"(2) From the date of the transfer the receiving Mission shall have entire responsibility for the conduct of the work in the districts concerned. The receiving Mission is also to adopt the policy of maintaining at least one evangelistic missionary to superintend the work in this field. However, as it may be difficult for the receiving Mission to set apart a man for that purpose at once, it is agreed that the transferring Mission, in case request to that effect is made by the receiving Mission, shall assign one of its own fully qualified evangelistic missionaries to labor in this field for a period not to exceed two years from the date of the transfer. In case this is done, the personal expenses of the said missionary, that is, his salary, medical bills, etc., shall be paid by the transferring Mission and he shall remain a full member of the same. As such he shall attend the meetings of that Mission and be liable to assignment by his own Mission on committee work, etc. In his evangelistic work as superintending the district in question, however, he shall work under the rules of the receiving Mission, and shall report to it. His personal helper's salary, his itinerating expenses, and all other expenses incurred by him in such superintendence shall be defrayed by the receiving Mission.

"(3) The Japanese evangelists now serving in the stations and outstations to be transferred shall (subject to the consent of the Joint Committee for the evangelistic work of the Japan Mission of the Reformed Church in the United States) be taken over by the receiving Mission. It shall be generally understood that these evangelists shall be continued in the service of the receiving Mission for at least one year at the same salaries and allowances as they are now receiving.

"(4) When the transfer goes into effect, the title to all churches, parsonages, church and parsonage sites, and all property used for church and evangelistic work that is owned by the transferring Mission within the district in question, the value of the property being at least \$12,500, shall be transferred to the corporation of the receiving Mission without financial consideration, the cost of transfer to be borne by the receiver.

"(5) While in the judgment of the two Missions concerned it is desirable that the missionary residence property in Morioka

and Aomori be purchased by the Board of the receiving Mission on equitable terms, this matter is not from the standpoint of the Missions, vital to the proposal to transfer the field, and they content themselves with the suggestion that the question form the subject of negotiation between the two Boards.

"The above terms from the point of view of the two Missions concerned, cover everything that requires specific agreement.

"With sincere prayer that the leading of the Spirit of Wisdom may be vouchsafed to the two Boards in discussing and deciding upon this proposal we beg leave to sign ourselves,

Very respectfully yours,

"The Japan Mission of the Reformed Church in America.

"The Japan Mission of the Reformed Church in the United States.

"Signed on behalf of the Japan Mission of the Reformed Church in America according to the action of the Mission dated January 23, 1917.

(Signed) ALBERTUS PIETERS, Secretary.

"Signed on behalf of the Japan Mission of the Reformed Church in the United States according to the action of the Mission dated January 17, 1917.

(Signed) E. H. GUINThER, Secretary."

Your Board of Foreign Missions at its meeting held April 11-12, 1917, placed this Proposal into the hands of a Special Committee, who after careful consideration reported as follows:

"(1) That a Committee of our Board be appointed to confer with a similar Committee of the Board of Foreign Missions of the Reformed Church in America with reference to the exact terms upon which said transfer could be made.

"(2) That the steady increase of our receipts warrants us in assuming the additional expense that may be entailed by taking over the evangelistic work of the Reformed Church in America in the Iwate and Aomori prefectures.

"(3) That our Board urge General Synod to accept the transfer."

The Special Committee called for in the Report, consisting of the President and Secretary, met with the officers of the Board of Foreign Missions of the Reformed Church in America on April 27th. After a free and full discussion of the transfer, it was mutually agreed:

(1) That with the approval of our General Synod the transfer should go into effect in March, 1918.

(2) That the two Missions fix the price for the two missionary residences at Aomori and the one missionary residence at Morioka.

(3) That our Board reimburse the Board of the Reformed Church in America by the payment of \$1000 at the time of the transfer and \$2000 annually until the full amount for the residences, from \$10,000 to \$12,000, has been paid.

CHINA MISSION

Besides the evangelistic and educational work, the China Mission is carrying on medical work at our two stations, Yochow and Shenchowfu. This Mission was started in 1900 by our faithful missionary, Rev. William E. Hoy, D. D. Seventeen years is not a long time for seed sowing in such a vast field. Until 1900 China was opposed to everything foreign; in fact no foreigners could enter the Province of Hunan except at the peril of their lives. A wonderful change has come over the people. Three great reforms have come about in the twinkling of an eye; namely, queues are all cut off, foot binding is illegal and rapidly becoming unpopular, and the opium traffic is completely banished. The best things in western civilization have been faithfully and freely offered to the Chinese by the missionaries, and they are now really hungry for instruction both in material and spiritual things. It is a golden age of opportunity for vigorous Christian advance, and we as a Church may be glad that we have a part in this great work for the Master.

All of our work in China is in the Province of Hunan, which is as large in area as New York, Pennsylvania and New Jersey put together, and contains 22,000,000 people. The people of Hunan are proud of the large number of civil and military officials and scholars who are sons of Hunan and serve the national government. They considered themselves the most faithful guardians of the Chinese culture and ideals and would not permit any "foreign devils" within her borders, after all other important provinces had been opened to missionary work and foreign commerce. Facts like these must be taken into consideration in judging of the progress of Christian work in the province. But it must be evident that the sturdy independent people of Hunan are good material for Christian missionaries to work among and in due season we shall see the results of their hard and difficult labors.

THE YOCHOW STATION

EVANGELISTIC WORK

Rev. F. K. Heinrichsohn, Missionary in Charge.

In spite of the political unrest and strife in the new Republic, the evangelistic work has been continued without interruption. A special feature of the regular Sunday morning service has been the large number of women in attendance. The need is felt for a Sunday School room in which to conduct Bible study along modern lines. There is an active Christian Endeavor Society, and the young people respond well at these meetings. A deep spiritual tone pervades the prayer services. It has been the custom to observe the Week of Prayer in January, during which time many fervent prayers are offered for the welfare of China, and in recent years for world peace. Work among the women has been encouraging. In the street chapels preaching services are held four evenings each week. The Chinese evangelists and helpers take turns in preaching.

A new phase of the work during the past year has been regular weekly visits to the city prison. Some of the prisoners had begun the study of the Catechism. Unfortunately, this work had to be discontinued on account of the war troubles in the province.

Missionary Heinrichsohn writes: "One new outstation was opened during the year, making a total of five outstations. The new work was opened at Nieh-Chia-Shi, a large town situated in a tea-growing center. The preaching here is listened to by large crowds, the majority hearing the Gospel for the first time. The work in the outstations is, on the whole, encouraging.

"In order to reach the pilgrims who yearly flock to Ta-Yuin-Shan, a sacred mountain, about fifty miles from Yochow, a special campaign was undertaken. Thousands of people were reached in this way, and our little band of workers returned with a very favorable report as to the manner in which they and their literature were received by the pilgrims.

"Besides several ordinary itinerating trips through our field, a special itinerary was arranged to the tea-growing district near here at the tea gathering season, when thousands of people collect from the surrounding country, somewhat after the manner of the cotton pickers in the States. Open air preaching and the selling of Christian literature was carried on for about a fortnight among these people.

"A special opportunity to bring our work before the people of the city was afforded during the recent troubles in Hunan, when the foreign missionaries were asked by the gentry and Chamber of Commerce of Yochow, to mediate for the city between the Northern and Southern troops, in order to prevent this place from becoming the scene of a battle. Many expressions of sincere gratitude for the service rendered have been heard from the people, and our church services have been unusually well attended since then.

"In our last annual report we mentioned the fact that this field is ripe for large gatherings. We can say that this is more true at this time than ever before, and it is still our earnest hope and prayer that the Church at home will soon find a way to send the needed men and funds to enable us to undertake work in this city and district on a larger scale and in a more efficient manner.

"For years we have been pleading for Hwa Yung in our annual reports. The only attention we have been able to give this place during the past year was one itinerating trip to the town and part of the district. The need for regular and intensive work there grows more urgent with each year.

"In three of our out-stations we are quartered in rented properties, the owners of which have informed us in two cases that they need the buildings for their own use. We are in immediate need of funds to build chapels and evangelists' residences at Hsin-Chiang and Yui-Hsih-Chan. We were able to secure land at both places at low prices, but we need the money to erect the necessary buildings. While there is the Garber Fund of \$500, given toward the erection of a chapel in Hsin-Chiang, double this amount would not now be sufficient for the purpose. \$1500 would be the least amount required to put up suitable buildings at each of these places. Is it not possible to procure the money for these two chapels during the coming year?"

THE LAKESIDE SCHOOLS

Teachers—Rev. William E. Hoy, D. D.; Rev. William A. Reimert; Rev. Edwin A. Beck; Prof. Horace R. Lequear and Rev. J. W. Owen.

The growth of this institution has been phenomenal. The fondest hopes of its founder are being realized in these days. It is first and always a Christian school. All the students are under Christian instruction. The Bible is a required study. Students must attend the Sunday School and the Y. M. C. A. meetings as

well as the regular church services. The Y. M. C. A. is an integral part of the National Y. M. C. A. of China. The Foreign and Chinese Secretaries visit the institution. The Student Volunteer Band admits no student under eighteen years of age or under the Academy grade and only for the Christian ministry. The National Committee keeps in close touch with all the Volunteer Bands in China. For several years past there have been from two to four graduates each year from the College department, and it is usual for them to enter immediately upon direct Christian work.

The course of study embraces the branches from the elementary grade to the college grade. The teachers, both American and Chinese, toil in the spirit of unity. They are strong and hopeful, alert and progressive, faithful in work and fervent in spirit.

President Hoy writes: "The Mission at its Annual Meeting will, no doubt, repeat the regular yearly appeal for more men and means for the fuller development of the Lakeside Schools along the lines in which the Lord has led us. In these days of the world-wide cry for "efficiency" in Christian Educational work, we cannot sit in indifferent idleness and repeat in a sing-song voice, "All is well at Lakeside." The very success granted us by the Lord of the Harvest makes it imperative to be up and keep alive to the greater possibilities of the future. Christian work is received with favor in China, and there are practically no restrictions placed upon the activities of Christian Educational institutions in this land."

ZIEMER MEMORIAL GIRLS' SCHOOL

Teachers—Miss Gertrude B. Hoy and Miss Helen B. Ammerman (temporarily filling vacancy).

On June 5th, 1915, the Ziemer Girls' School building was struck by lightning and reduced to ashes. That no lives were lost was cause for devout thanksgiving. This school building was practically new, having only been completed in February, 1911. It cost about \$7000, and was insured for \$6000. It was partly paid for by the Foreign Mission Day Offerings of 1909 and 1910. Most of the money was raised during the furlough of Miss S. Emma Ziemer in 1909 and through her earnest efforts. That this Girls' School should be bereft of its first principal by death and of the first building by fire was cause for serious thought by members of the Mission, the Board and the Church. Those who have this work as a daily problem regard the loss of the building as a new call for more fervent devotion on the part of the Church to this sacred work.

Although the prospects were rather gloomy for the continuance of the School, Principal Miss Hoy wrote that on the 9th of September following, the School was reopened with forty pupils which was only six less than the previous year. The work was carried on in an old Chinese building, which was inconvenient and unhealthy, but the teachers and pupils continued to be cheerful and were always ready to make the best of everything.

Through the liberality of the Woman's Missionary Society of General Synod a new building has been erected at a cost of \$13,800 and will be paid for by them.

The course of study prescribed by the Central China Christian Educational Union, to which the school belongs, is a difficult one and the pupils are kept very busy. As the aim of the Zierner Girls' School is to train Christian women, special emphasis has always been laid upon religious instruction. This is given through daily Bible classes, chapel exercises, weekly Christian Endeavor meetings and Sunday School classes. The early morning watch has been observed by each pupil, at which time she chose and memorized a Bible verse, which became her guide during the day. Last Pentecost the hearts of the teachers were gladdened by the fact that four of the pupils were baptized, thus becoming members of the Church. In all the work of the School Miss Ammerman has taken a deep interest and rendered valuable assistance.

Miss Hoy writes: "Our hearts rejoice at the thought of beginning work in our fine, new building. Pupils and teachers have all been eagerly watching the erection of this building, and, as one of the girls put it, 'Now that we are going into the new building, we must all be new people.' We cannot help but do better work in such an environment."

HOY MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

Physician, Dr. William F. Adams; Nurses, Miss Alice E. Traub and Miss Mary E. Meyers.

The work in the hospital at Yochow City during the past three years was crippled for lack of a sufficient working force. No hospital in China should have on its staff less than two physicians and three nurses. Without even this small number the hospital cannot render the needed service to the thousands of sick folks in the Province of Hunan who have a right to look to our Mission for medical services. In a hospital with only one physician, as is the case with both of our hospitals, and one or two nurses, when

the furlough time comes, it means a virtual abandonment of the medical work. Those in charge of the work fail to derive the full benefit from their furloughs because they are all the time realizing that their absence from the field means an impairment of their work on the field. This has been the recent experience of the workers in the Hoy Memorial Hospital. No other arm of the missionary work in China contributes more to the evangelistic work than the hospital.

That many people are eager to avail themselves of the benefits of the hospital is evident from a recent letter of Dr. Adams in which he states: "The hospital has been filled all the time. I had hoped to have something of a let up at Chinese New Year as the patients usually leave before it. But this year, although they celebrated in the good old style, in regard to the custom of leaving the hospital they changed remarkably. We had only two beds vacant during the season."

It is cause for devout gratitude that the offerings on Foreign Mission Day 1917 will make possible the erection of the Woman's Hospital at Yochow City. The lack of proper facilities for the treatment of women has been sorely felt for ten years. Much credit is due Dr. Faust and Dr. Hoy for the splendid assistance they gave in bringing this need to the attention of our people. Both of these missionaries have urgent needs in connection with their school work, yet these sank out of sight in their strong appeals for the Woman's Hospital work.

THE SHENCHOWFU STATION

EVANGELISTIC WORK

Rev. Ward Hartman, Missionary in Charge. Miss Ruth E. Hahn, Evangelist.

The Evangelistic Work in our Shenchowfu Station brings us to soil where martyr blood was shed. Here we have a wide field for cultivation but, alas, the workers are wanting and the few in charge of the work have been subject to many discouragements. Their faith has been sorely tried. Lasting impressions, however, have been made and deep foundations have been laid. Missionary Hartman deserves great credit for his self-sacrificing labors and for his patient continuance in well-doing. He writes: "In spite of the fact that the greater part of the world has been living at swords' points, and the Chinese of our district lived in fear and

dread of the presence of the Northern soldiers for months, we have been able to do a little work in this part of the Master's vineyard. The recent revolution in China affected our work considerably, and for a time our out-station at Paotsing was entirely cut off from us because of the two armies in the field."

It is encouraging to report that at Shenchowfu the average attendance at the Sunday morning service has been about 300. The C. E. Society numbers over 50 including associate members. The week of prayer during the first week in January was observed and special services were held previous to Easter. Sixteen persons were received into the Church. There is an enrollment of 255 in the Sunday School. A congregation was organized by the election of three elders and two deacons. Some charity work for the poor is being done with funds given at Christmas time. A night school has been continued for men-servants who desire to learn to read the Chinese characters.

There are three out-stations—Luchi, Wusuh and Paotsing. The Wusuh Station is supported entirely by the offerings of the Shenchowfu Church. A good beginning has been made there and several persons have shown sufficient interest to study the Catechism. A property has been secured in Paotsing in which to open a chapel.

The work among the women is most hopeful. Since the majority of the women are unable to read or write, and thus unable to study the Bible, or read the hymns, special instruction is given in reading and writing and the Gospel. From the work that is being done at the Station, Missionary Hartman is seeing the fulfillment of his hopes: "I came to China with the hope of being a messenger of the Gospel which is adaptable to all people and through which all may learn of salvation."

THE EASTVIEW SCHOOLS

Teachers—Rev. J. Frank Bucher and Prof. Karl H. Beck.

The most pressing need of the Boys' School, and the only one that the teachers urge, is its re-location. The Woman's Hospital Building has been used for two years as the Boys' School Dormitory. Strong pressure is being brought to bear on the part of the medical workers that this building should again be made available for its original purpose. Our Board has taken action that the first new work to be undertaken in our China Mission shall be the re-location of the Boys' School, thereby relieving a most critical situation.

The School is getting to be an influential factor in the city. The Day School enrollment has been quite large, reaching the highest possible limits. The work of the students has been good. The teachers have all been faithful and we have every reason to believe that the teaching of the Chinese Classics and literature is of a high order. The foreign staff is constantly striving to raise the standard of the School. Special mention should be made of the work being done by Mrs. Bucher in drawing. Under her direction the students have been doing quite remarkable work in both pencil and Chinese brush-pen drawing. An inquirers' class is taught by Mr. Bucher, who uses the catechism prepared by Dr. William C. Schaeffer. The Y. M. C. A. is a part of the International organization and is doing splendid work.

The teachers are hoping to continue the Day School at Luchi, and to open additional Lower-primary schools at Wusuh and Paotsing as soon as they can obtain suitable Chinese teachers.

GIRLS' SCHOOL

Teachers—Miss Rebecca N. Messimer, and Mrs. Karl H. Beck, temporarily filling the vacancy.

At first it was not an easy matter to secure pupils. Very few parents were willing to send their children, much less to bear the expense. Great changes have taken place. The confidence of the people is growing and they want their girls to attend our school. For the past few years more girls have been seeking entrance than could be accommodated. During the recent rebellion girls from the very best as well as from the poorer homes were brought to the school for protection. Ours is the only Boarding School for girls within a radius of 150 miles. The Christian teaching and influence has its effect upon the lives of the girls and in many cases results in definite decisions for Christ. Miss Messimer writes: "Today the girls of China are demanding an education. Whether or not they shall have a Christian education depends upon you. Will you share with Christ in the joy of service by helping the girls of China to know Him?"

ABOUNDING GRACE HOSPITAL

Dr. Lewis R. Thompson, Physician, and Miss Elizabeth J. Miller, Nurse.

The medical work at Shenchow has taken a distinct step forward. Dr. Thompson spent several months of the latter part of

1915 in visiting the hospitals at Nanking and in neighboring cities. His experiences have been of much benefit to him in his work.

Shortly after his return to the Station the Medical Department, due to the war situation, agreed to work under the direction of the Red Cross Society of China, the latter paying the expenses incident to the treatment and care of the wounded soldiers. From February 22nd to about May 15th, 1916, the work of the Department was practically all Red Cross work. Our hospital staff makes special mention of the courtesy of Dr. Logan of Changte: first, for sending Dr. Pao to conduct the work during the absence of Dr. Thompson; and secondly, for Dr. Tai who acted as assistant since the hospital was opened. Mention is also made of the splendid assistance of several Chinese nurses furnished by the Red Cross Society.

Since the Dispensary is open to both men and women, it is hard to make the women understand why they must be denied hospital treatment, for it is known that there is a Woman's Hospital Building. This militates against the work of the Station. (At the present time the Woman's Hospital is used for the Boys' School Dormitory.) Dr. Thompson writes: "It is very necessary that the Boys' School shall be removed from the building as soon as possible, and also from the compound, since the close proximity of the Boys' School and the Woman's Hospital are incompatible in the eyes of the Chinese. We are looking forward to a growing of the work in the Men's Hospital this next year, and also hoping to be able to establish the work in the Women's Hospital. There has been daily preaching in the hospital wards and in the dispensary Chapel."

THE MOSLEM WORLD

Mohammedanism is the one great non-Christian religion which is today on the aggressive. Of all the non-Christian faiths this is the one which attacks directly the Person and Deity of our Lord. It is the one religion which has risen since Christianity as though to challenge the sufficiency of Christianity. In view of these facts the Church of Christ throughout the world has no more formidable foe to face, or to conquer. Realizing this, our Church eight years ago made work in the Mohammedan World a part of her Foreign Missionary task.

Three years ago our Board was authorized by the General Synod to open a Mission Station in the Moslem World at an annual expenditure of \$5000. On account of the awful war in Europe, and

the lack of sufficient funds, it has been found impossible to begin this work. A special committee is investigating present conditions in the Moslem World with a view of recommending a place for a Mission Station and arranging for the funds necessary to provide for the same. It is planned to secure \$5000 annually for a period of five years before opening a station. On May 1, 1917, the cash contributions for this purpose amounted to \$1706.52. This fund will be kept intact until the time when it will be possible to begin the work.

FINALLY, BRETHREN

A recent writer says, "It is the quality of the General Staff mind to think ahead, to define objects, and to plan out ways of reaching them." This is no less the province of a Board of the Church. Your Board of Foreign Missions has been "thinking ahead" by stating the needs of our Mission fields; it has defined the objects to which the members have been giving their offerings and prayers; and it has outlined plans by which it is believed our Church can fulfill her high mission to the world.

While there is cause for rejoicing over the progress made by our missionaries and the increase in the offerings of the members during the past triennium, yet the unoccupied areas of our fields in Japan and China, not to speak of the work to be done in the Moslem World, should make us seriously ponder whether we have done all we could to help in hastening the extension of our Lord's Kingdom in all the world.

There are two great factors in the problem of Foreign Missions that should constrain the Christians in our day, as the apostles in their day, in the winning of the world for Christ. The first is compassion and the second is immediacy. When Jesus was on earth, seeing the multitude, He was immediately moved with compassion. It is said that the population of the world now amounts to one billion, seven hundred millions of people. It is also said that one billion of these are heathen. Missionary experts have shown that the heathen are increasing faster by natural propagation than the Church in their midst is increasing by spiritual generation, so that at the present rate of progress, Christianity is not gaining upon heathenism, but heathenism upon Christianity. Napoleon once said: "It is a maxim of the military art that the army which remains in its entrenchments is beaten." God has made man's possibilities to be the Church's opportunity, and

man's need the Church's duty—its safety. We see not yet all things subdued under Him, but we see Jesus. What God has done for us, He can do for all mankind. This is the abiding ground of Christian Missions. This is our confidence in every hour of trial.

Today the nations of the earth are seeking a new vision, and the Church of Christ alone has the power to impart it. We all look for a new heaven and a new earth wherein dwelleth righteousness, peace and joy. Your missionaries are looking with wistful eyes from across the seas to Dayton, Ohio, grasping the hand of every delegate in Christian fellowship, and praying that the actions of the General Synod may mark the beginning of a new epoch in the spread of the Gospel in the lands where the Lord has led our Church. One of your most devoted missionaries in China has recently made a fervent appeal for more workers, adding: "I have borne the strain and stress fairly well; but how much longer can I endure such a life?" Missionary Cook of Japan, who died with the passion for souls upon his lips, left this witness: "The work is beginning to grow so fast that I cannot manage it much longer alone. I appeal to you and to the Church for aid." The one burden that is breaking the hearts of all your missionaries in Japan and China is this: "We must have men, if we are to retain what we have won by so much hard toil and sore prayer."

It is the duty of your Board to report these stirring facts; it will be the privilege of the General Synod to transmute the same into living acts.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES I. GOOD, *President.*

ALLEN R. BARTHOLOMEW, *Secretary.*

Triennial Financial Statement of the Board of Foreign Missions, 1914-1916

EXHIBIT A

FINANCIAL STATEMENT AS AT DECEMBER 31, 1916

Deficit: as of January 1, 1914..	\$132,043.77	
" Outlook of Missions...	1,494.00	
Contributions for Foreign Re-		
lief.....	350.00	
		\$133,887.77
Less: Net Income (as per Ex-		
hibit C).....	89,250.61	
		\$44,637.16
Funds: Received during 1914-1916		
for reinvestment.....		800.00
Deficit as at December 31, 1916.....		\$45,437.16

Deficit Account

Notes Payable (Schedule No. 8) \$	46,900.00	
Accrued Interest on Demand		
Notes to December 31, 1916.	231.70	
		\$47,131.70
Less Cash Balance, December		
31, 1916.....	1,694.54	
		\$45,437.16

Properties of Board

Japan: (Schedule No. 9).....	\$223,522.00	
China: (Schedule No. 10).....	108,155.46	
Invested Funds (Schedule No.		
11).....	8,900.00	
		\$340,577.46

ALBERT S. BROMER, *Treasurer.*

Audited by
"Certified Audit Co. of America, Inc.,
March 30, 1917.

EXHIBIT B

CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS—JANUARY 1, 1914, TO DECEMBER 31, 1916

Cash Balance—January 1, 1914..... \$ 4,687.93

RECEIPTS

	1914	1915	1916	1914-1916
For Foreign Missions.....	\$134,572.11	\$212,249.50	\$175,027.71	\$521,849.32
(See Exhibit C)				
Borrowed Money.....	56,100.00	22,000.00	35,000.00	113,100.00
*Outlook of Missions.....	2,977.68	2,700.39	4,745.32	10,423.39
Received for Transmission.....	646.05	320.07	65.00	1,031.12
†Mission Study Department.....	333.00	411.50	359.00	1,103.50
Endowment Fund.....	500.00	.....	300.00	800.00
Refunds, Account Foreign Travel.....	87.50	100.00	393.74	493.74
Refunds, General.....	.....	207.10	36.71	331.31

Total Receipts.....

\$649,132.38
\$653,820.31

DISBURSEMENTS

	1914	1915	1916	1914-1916
To Foreign Missions.....	\$107,986.81	\$103,186.02	\$136,231.13	\$347,403.96
Home Department (Schedule No. 5).....	17,789.68	20,251.93	18,901.29	56,942.90
Loans (Notes Retired).....	55,700.00	84,600.00	61,000.00	201,300.00
Outlook of Missions.....	2,891.78	4,292.41	4,733.20	11,917.39
Interest on Loans.....	7,928.31	5,007.68	4,032.28	16,968.27
Partial support of Cooperative Depart- ments (Schedule 5A).....	4,335.17	4,137.40	4,308.18	12,780.75
Interest on Annuity Bonds.....	1,213.00	1,518.00	1,731.50	4,462.50
Contributions.....	100.00	100.00	150.00	350.00

Total Disbursements.....

\$652,125.77
\$ 1,694.54

Cash Balance—December 31, 1916.....

* Subscriptions and appropriations of Board of Home Missions.
Receipts from Board of Home Missions on account Mission Study Department Expenses.

EXHIBIT C

INCOME AND EXPENSES 1914-1916

	1914	1915	1916
INCOME			
Apportionment.....	\$79,844.62	\$72,887.95	\$98,288.84
Specials (<i>Prince of Peace Fund included</i>).....	43,350.58	126,690.89	60,727.13
(See Schedule No. 1)	123,195.20	199,578.84	159,015.97
			<u>\$481,790.01</u>
Annuity Bonds.....	5,170.00	5,880.00	11,000.00
Bequests.....	5,509.05	4,761.05	3,291.89
Miscellaneous Personals.....	187.33	1,640.90	1,372.25
Interest on Invested Funds.....	357.98	313.00	331.00
Interest on Bank Balances.....	62.07		
Literature.....	90.48	75.71	16.60
	<u>134,572.11</u>	<u>212,249.50</u>	<u>175,027.71</u>
Total Income.....			<u>40,059.31</u>
			<u>521,849.32</u>
EXPENSES			
Japan Mission.....	66,861.31	63,661.51	81,254.86
China Mission.....	37,479.45	39,104.44	54,517.53
Home Department.....	17,702.18	20,044.83	18,864.58
Partial Support of Cooperative Departments.....	4,002.17	3,725.90	3,949.18
Interest on Loans.....	7,928.31	5,007.68	4,032.28
Interest on Annuity Bonds.....	1,213.00	1,518.00	1,731.50
	<u>135,186.42</u>	<u>133,062.36</u>	<u>164,349.93</u>
			<u>432,598.71</u>
Income in excess of expenses.....			<u>\$ 89,250.61</u>
(See Exhibit A)			

SCHEDULE NO. 1
RECEIPTS FROM CLASSES 1914-1916, AND COMPARISON WITH RECEIPTS 1911-1913

SYNODS AND CLASSES	Apportionment 1914	Specials 1914	Apportionment 1915	Specials 1915	Apportionment 1916	Specials 1916	Total 1914-1916	Total 1911-1913	Increase	Decrease
<i>Eastern Synod</i>										
East Pennsylvania.....	\$3,134.53	\$741.76	\$2,731.58	\$3,352.48	\$4,021.33	\$964.20	\$14,945.88	\$9,158.01	\$5,787.87	
Lebanon.....	3,132.18	156.96	1,876.98	2,035.95	2,546.87	1,090.28	10,839.22	6,763.81	4,075.41	
Philadelphia.....	4,232.78	1,927.37	3,833.33	7,240.32	6,030.19	2,505.10	25,769.09	15,568.32	10,200.77	
Lancaster.....	4,054.10	1,696.61	3,037.37	6,483.03	4,277.28	1,544.85	21,093.08	17,081.35	4,011.73	
East Susquehanna.....	3,039.75	1,380.43	2,494.66	2,402.63	3,384.54	1,588.96	13,291.02	8,767.67	4,523.35	
West Susquehanna.....	2,300.00	243.67	2,500.00	2,775.83	2,215.00	492.61	10,527.11	7,240.30	3,286.81	
Tohickon.....	1,978.88	257.84	1,956.88	4,075.83	2,681.42	369.45	11,323.30	6,547.04	4,776.26	
Goshenhoppen.....	2,633.49	110.76	2,051.38	1,070.65	2,820.28	369.66	9,056.22	9,142.20		
Lehigh.....	3,360.11	2,160.23	3,545.04	5,233.93	4,989.50	1,444.92	20,728.73	17,109.79	3,618.94	
Schuylkill.....	2,455.09	565.64	2,329.50	1,955.52	2,799.59	499.74	10,605.08	6,322.12	4,282.96	
Wyoming.....	1,698.08	891.03	1,762.20	7,023.14	2,797.87	409.42	14,537.74	7,523.00	7,014.74	
Reading.....	2,865.84	1,855.18	3,073.15	8,281.16	4,299.84	2,538.00	22,913.17	14,064.97	8,848.20	
<i>Ohio Synod</i>										
Miami.....	2,227.88	708.43	1,726.68	3,376.07	2,531.35	582.57	11,153.03	7,114.47	4,038.56	
Lancaster.....	1,296.90	632.18	996.00	3,041.52	1,761.29	389.34	8,057.23	3,868.48	4,218.75	
Tuscarawas.....	3,440.00	1,963.05	3,925.00	5,290.21	6,275.00	5,778.82	26,662.08	13,146.20	13,515.88	
Tiffin.....	1,275.18	569.96	1,871.00	1,714.57	2,081.00	1,343.41	8,855.12	4,956.18	3,898.94	
Eastern Ohio.....	1,300.00	170.35	1,500.00	1,364.77	1,558.45	544.78	6,438.35	4,193.41	2,244.94	
St. Joseph.....	585.48	299.71	810.23	866.95	988.10	204.65	3,755.12	3,141.29	613.83	
Miscellaneous.....		72.59					72.59	159.57		
<i>Synod of the Northwest</i>										
Sheboygan.....	148.94	126.40	220.82	274.06	172.50	279.09	1,221.81	897.04	414.77	
Milwaukee.....	233.54	383.81	173.06	1,421.68	319.75	534.84	3,056.68	1,348.48	1,708.20	
Minnesota.....	128.00	51.11	310.00	105.97	37.25	132.87	765.20	640.86	124.34	
Nebraska.....	218.77	179.15	222.00	296.80	250.00	246.18	1,412.90	1,591.83		
Uresius.....	119.17	135.26	140.10	435.86	471.30	220.95	1,522.64	815.70	706.94	
South Dakota.....	167.17	45.94	85.00	82.44	173.74	55.00	609.29	629.74		
Portland, Oregon.....	227.43	153.54	188.65	525.08	333.39	85.53	1,533.62	1,906.77		
Manitoba.....	51.00	72.80	37.00	159.95	53.00	33.35	407.10	153.90	253.20	
Eureka.....						15.00	15.00			
<i>Pittsburgh Synod</i>										
Westmoreland.....	10,189.00		10,798.00		13,497.63		34,484.63	22,039.34	12,445.29	
Clarton.....		1,192.47		2,715.79		963.51	4,871.77	2,521.61	2,350.16	
St. Paul.....		206.44		433.80		255.01	895.25	1,392.97		
Sonnet.....		215.25		1,280.68		471.55	1,967.48	377.22	1,590.26	
Allegheny.....		99.77		291.94		31.75	423.46	288.63	134.83	
Hungarian.....		562.22		1,688.88		594.17	2,845.27	2,851.15		
						6.94	6.94	21.08		
										5.88
										14.14

SCHEDULE NO. 1—Continued

SYNODS AND CLASSES	Apportionment		Specials		Apportionment		Specials		Apportionment		Specials		Total		Total		Increase	Decrease
	1914	1914	1914	1914	1915	1915	1915	1915	1916	1916	1916	1916	1914-1916	1911-1913	1911-1913			
Potomac Synod																		
Zion's.....	2,465.25	470.56	.....	.....	250.00	1,048.08	3,511.43	1,022.37	250.00	.....	.....	.....	250.00	.....	.....	250.00	.....
Maryland.....	4,186.28	1,171.27	.....	.....	2,134.71	3,986.96	3,013.40	2,208.31	18,676.38	10,652.40	8,241.29	2,411.11	18,676.38	10,652.40	8,241.29	2,411.11	.....
Mercersburg.....	2,029.70	1,527.72	.....	.....	1,576.01	4,582.24	1,980.83	1,482.46	13,178.96	10,301.33	8,620.41	4,558.55	13,178.96	10,301.33	8,620.41	4,558.55	.....
Virginia.....	1,083.80	349.90	.....	.....	704.12	1,055.55	855.01	548.13	4,596.51	3,656.43	3,656.43	940.08	4,596.51	3,656.43	3,656.43	940.08	.....
North Carolina.....	990.91	250.25	.....	.....	837.26	1,201.38	916.89	247.11	4,443.80	2,780.54	2,780.54	1,663.26	4,443.80	2,780.54	2,780.54	1,663.26	.....
Gettysburg.....	1,325.00	540.79	.....	.....	950.00	401.92	1,705.00	415.86	5,338.57	3,292.11	3,292.11	2,046.46	5,338.57	3,292.11	3,292.11	2,046.46	.....
Carlisle.....	1,122.04	234.85	.....	.....	1,103.92	512.44	1,255.96	201.08	4,430.49	3,173.05	3,173.05	1,257.44	4,430.49	3,173.05	3,173.05	1,257.44	.....
Juniata.....	2,527.57	1,005.47	.....	.....	2,741.58	2,248.94	2,928.12	1,073.13	12,524.81	8,527.16	8,527.16	3,997.65	12,524.81	8,527.16	8,527.16	3,997.65	.....
Miscellaneous.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
German Synod of the East																		
New York.....	470.95	392.00	.....	.....	517.10	363.85	196.00	534.86	2,474.76	1,620.97	1,620.97	853.79	2,474.76	1,620.97	1,620.97	853.79	.....
West New York.....	656.47	222.00	.....	.....	548.96	376.29	516.20	242.57	2,562.48	2,315.53	2,315.53	1,173.42	2,562.48	2,315.53	2,315.53	1,173.42	.....
German Philadelphia.....	772.67	373.98	.....	.....	431.88	882.03	807.33	210.46	3,488.95	603.25	603.25	180.00	3,488.95	603.25	603.25	180.00	.....
German Maryland.....	133.54	75.78	.....	.....	33.70	276.23	184.00	80.00	783.25	.....	.....	.....	783.25	.....	.....	.....	.....
Central Synod																		
Erie.....	408.67	450.99	.....	.....	261.23	1,583.58	491.25	571.04	3,766.76	3,720.38	3,720.38	46.38	3,766.76	3,720.38	3,720.38	46.38	.....
Heidelberg.....	1,111.72	1,459.37	.....	.....	1,068.67	3,333.15	1,583.68	1,611.39	10,121.98	7,419.64	7,419.64	2,702.34	10,121.98	7,419.64	7,419.64	2,702.34	.....
St. John's.....	682.97	995.57	.....	.....	482.06	1,534.43	404.66	760.70	4,790.31	3,206.92	3,206.92	1,583.39	4,790.31	3,206.92	3,206.92	1,583.39	.....
Cincinnati.....	204.84	335.15	.....	.....	101.69	1,008.08	296.59	466.42	2,469.77	1,572.79	1,572.79	856.98	2,469.77	1,572.79	1,572.79	856.98	.....
Toledo.....	255.75	392.28	.....	.....	202.40	1,135.40	217.91	415.04	2,638.78	1,839.37	1,839.37	796.41	2,638.78	1,839.37	1,839.37	796.41	.....
Synod of the Interior																		
Illinois.....	1,402.64	94.02	.....	.....	716.50	325.10	235.86	54.98	3,937.94	4,068.82	4,068.82	1,693.82	3,937.94	4,068.82	4,068.82	1,693.82	.....
Iowa.....	.....	157.33	.....	.....	.....	829.59	800.00	417.54	2,205.06	756.84	756.84	380.98	2,205.06	756.84	756.84	380.98	.....
Kansas.....	.....	271.46	.....	.....	.....	541.14	782.50	97.75	1,732.85	1,032.07	1,032.07	700.78	1,732.85	1,032.07	1,032.07	700.78	.....
Lincoln.....	60.00	133.10	.....	.....	.....	179.00	23.00	31.00	366.10	81.09	81.09	285.01	366.10	81.09	81.09	285.01	.....
Wichita.....	159.89	41.64	.....	.....	.....	178.71	23.00	174.72	554.96	223.47	223.47	331.49	554.96	223.47	223.47	331.49	.....
Synod of the Southwest																		
Zion.....	305.72	675.88	.....	.....	221.63	2,302.49	283.57	1,034.93	4,824.22	2,523.96	2,523.96	2,300.26	4,824.22	2,523.96	2,523.96	2,300.26	.....
Indiana.....	385.76	371.36	.....	.....	318.92	2,634.14	413.65	363.31	4,487.14	2,791.21	2,791.21	1,695.93	4,487.14	2,791.21	2,791.21	1,695.93	.....
Missouri.....	290.77	100.53	.....	.....	71.82	283.16	57.70	84.04	798.02	1,293.19	1,293.19	.....	798.02	1,293.19	1,293.19	.....	.....
Chicago.....	47.00	11.31	.....	.....	37.20	29.00	15.00	72.31	211.82	139.65	139.65	72.17	211.82	139.65	139.65	72.17	.....
Kentucky.....	371.42	119.49	.....	.....	231.00	772.57	41.40	1,059.39	2,595.27	1,648.61	1,648.61	946.66	2,595.27	1,648.61	1,648.61	946.66	.....
General Synod																		
Women's Home and Foreign Mission-ary Society.....	.....	12,406.99	.....	.....	.....	15,743.95	.....	.....	18,659.53	38,334.69	38,334.69	8,475.78	18,659.53	38,334.69	38,334.69	8,475.78	.....
Totals.....	\$79,844.62	\$43,350.58	\$72,887.95	\$126,690.89	\$93,238.84	\$60,727.13	\$481,790.01	\$332,479.06	\$153,152.10	\$3,841.15	.....	.....	\$332,479.06	\$153,152.10	\$3,841.15	.....	.....

SCHEDULE NO. 2

GENERAL STATEMENT, BY SYNODS, SHOWING NUMBER OF COMMUNICANTS; AMOUNTS APPORTIONED, PAID AND UNPAID

SYNODS	Communicants	Apportioned 1914-1916	Paid on Apportionment			Total Paid 1914-1916	Unpaid 1914-1916	Specials			Total Specials 1914-1916	Total Receipts			Total 1914-1916
			1914	1915	1916			1914	1915	1916		1914	1915	1916	
Eastern.....	137,516	\$313,395	34,884.83	31,191.91	42,863.71	108,940.45	204,454.55	10,987.53	51,934.47	13,817.19	76,739.19	45,872.36	88,126.38	56,680.90	185,679.64
Ohio.....	32,879	76,359	10,095.44	10,828.91	15,195.19	36,119.54	40,239.46	4,416.32	15,644.09	8,843.57	28,903.98	14,511.76	26,473.00	24,038.76	65,023.52
Northwest.....	19,451	70,806	1,314.02	1,376.63	1,830.93	4,521.58	63231.86	1,118.01	3,301.84	1,602.81	6,032.66	2,432.03	4,678.47	3,433.74	10,544.24
Southwest.....	10,811		1,310.87	880.57	811.32	3,002.56		1,278.57	6,021.36	2,613.98	9,913.91	2,589.24	6,901.98	3,425.30	12,916.47
Pittsburgh.....	25,593	55,995	10,189.00	10,798.00	13,497.63	34,484.63	21,510.37	2,276.15	6,411.09	2,322.93	11,010.17	12,465.15	17,209.09	15,820.56	45,494.80
Potomac.....	51,227	116,511	15,730.55	13,507.76	17,066.24	46,304.55	70,206.45	5,550.81	15,037.51	7,199.05	27,787.37	21,281.36	28,545.27	24,285.29	74,091.92
German East.....	19,373	45,429	2,033.63	1,531.63	1,704.13	5,269.39	40,159.61	1,063.76	1,908.40	1,067.89	4,040.05	3,097.39	3,440.03	2,772.02	9,309.44
Central.....	24,740	60,645	2,663.95	2,056.04	2,994.09	7,714.08	52,980.92	3,554.29	8,634.64	3,824.59	16,013.52	6,218.24	10,690.68	6,818.68	23,727.60
Interior.....	4,522	10,860	1,622.53	716.50	2,325.60	4,664.63	6,195.37	698.15	2,053.54	775.59	3,527.28	2,320.68	2,770.04	3,101.19	8,191.91
W. H. and F. M. Soc., General Synod.....								12,406.99	15,743.95	18,659.53	46,810.47	12,406.99	15,743.95	18,659.53	46,810.47
Total.....	326,112	\$750,000	79,844.62	72,887.95	98,288.94	251,021.41	498,978.59	43,350.58	126,690.89	60,727.13	230,768.60	123,195.20	199,578.84	159,015.97	481,790.01

SCHEDULE NO. 3

BEQUESTS DURING PERIOD 1914-1916

1914

Jan. 7	L. Darms (additional).....	\$ 2.50
Jan. 14	John Lahr.....	500.00
Mar. 23	Elizabeth Bricker.....	203.62
May 29	Jacob Schaub.....	1000.00
July 1	Charles Baker.....	380.00
July 13	Mary E. Gilbert.....	516.43
Aug. 26	Louisa F. Wirt.....	1000.00
Oct. 26	Job M. Shoemaker.....	400.00
Oct. 27	Daniel Miller.....	506.50
Nov. 18	Melville E. Doll.....	1000.00

\$ 5,509.05

1915

Jan. 26	C. H. Gutelius.....	380.00
Jan. 27	Sallie E. Weil.....	500.00
Feb. 2	P. Williard.....	500.00
Mar. 17	H. Schlueter.....	200.00
Apr. 24	D. Brubaker.....	100.00
May 17	Sarah A. Rauch.....	285.00
May 20	M. Bair.....	13.36
Sept. 15	Johanna Accola.....	50.00
Sept. 17	Job M. Shoemaker (additional).....	787.50
Nov. 3	Mrs. Margaret Bair.....	1945.19

4,761.05

1916

Feb. 24	L. G. Imler.....	134.69
Mar. 25	J. F. Bennett.....	190.00
July 27	Lizzie S. Burkholder.....	300.00
Sept. 25	Mrs. R. Fredericka Mayer.....	50.00
Nov. 2	Lydia B. Schott.....	175.00
Dec. 23	John Thomas Main.....	500.00
Dec. 23	Ernest Behmer.....	1942.20

3,291.89

Total..... \$13,561.99

NOTE: Bequests since January 1, 1917, not included in report.

Feb. 10	Rev. S. Elliker, Sr.....	\$ 50.00
Feb. 16	Job M. Shoemaker (additional).....	200.00
Mar. 12	Mrs. Eliza T. Wildrich.....	475.00
Mar. 27	Miss Mary F. Pugh.....	950.00
Apr. 11	D. Nettles, Sr.....	50.00

SCHEDULE NO. 4

STATEMENT SHOWING PROGRESS AT HOME IN THE WORK
OF FOREIGN MISSIONS FROM 1900 TO 1916

Year	Communi- cants	Contributions from Living Givers	Per Capita Gift of Living Givers	Be- quests	Total Contri- butions	Mission- aries sent out
1900..	239,930	\$29,084.66	\$.125	\$4,345.66	\$33,430.32	5
1901..	242,831	34,726.30	.143	5,032.89	39,759.19	1
1902..	248,929	51,470.21	.267	3,160.37	54,630.58	5
1903..	255,408	66,055.79	.258	95.00	66,150.79	1
1904..	255,880	66,518.99	.259	1,947.50	68,466.49	1
1905..	263,954	83,817.23	.313	1,515.00	85,332.23	4
1906..	279,164	77,722.91	.278	8,848.16	86,571.07	7
1907..	284,433	92,634.62	.325	2,021.34	94,655.96	4
1908..	289,328	93,934.68	.324	3,959.31	97,893.99	3
1909..	293,836	93,877.22	.319	12,866.50	106,743.72	2
1910..	297,116	86,852.77	.292	3,612.26	90,465.03	2
1911..	297,829	94,616.26	.317	2,783.16	97,399.42	7
1912..	300,952	121,204.22	.403	5,084.60	126,288.82	—
1913..	306,337	134,078.29	.437	2,816.64	136,894.93	3
1914..	312,660	128,552.53	.411	5,509.05	134,061.58	5
1915..	320,459	207,099.74	.646	4,761.05	211,860.79	1
1916..	326,112	171,388.22	.525	3,291.89	174,680.11	3
		\$1,633,634.64		\$71,650.38	\$1,705,285.02	

SCHEDULE NO. 5

ANALYSIS OF EXPENSES—HOME DEPARTMENT, JANUARY 1,
1914, TO DECEMBER 31, 1916

ADMINISTRATIVE	1914	1915	1916
Salary of Secretary.....	\$2,116.67	\$2,200.00	\$2,500.00
Salary of Treasurer.....	400.00	500.00	500.00
Salary of Accountant.....	1,200.00	1,200.00	1,200.00
* Expense Business Dept.....	150.00		
Stenographer and Extra Help...	842.00	888.70	1,142.75
Rent.....	270.00	270.00	270.00
Stationery and Office Supplies..	526.79	417.90	696.73
Postage.....	546.53	472.29	586.45
Auditor's Services.....	50.00	50.00	50.00
Expenses of Board and Execu- tive Committee Meetings....	809.23	542.24	865.25
Cablegrams, Telegrams, and Telephones.....	282.59	283.13	293.94
<i>Total</i>			\$22,123.19
EDUCATIONAL			
Salaries of Field Secretaries....	3,400.00	3,400.00	3,400.00
Traveling of Missionaries on fur- lough and Secretaries visiting Synods, Classes.....	2,913.14	3,160.18	3,418.58
<i>Total</i>			19,691.90

* Paid Publication and Sunday School Board for special service.

SCHEDULE NO. 5—Continued.

LITERATURE				
Twelfth Triennial Report.....	207.26	803.00		
Foreign Mission Day Service...	1,567.41	1,611.00	1,834.69	
History of China Mission, Tracts and other Publications.....	1,292.51	442.35	1,181.09	
Expressage, Freight, etc.....	373.26	102.26	287.43	
German Translator.....	100.00	75.00	100.00	
<i>Total</i>				9,977.26
MISCELLANEOUS				
Prince of Peace Fund Expenses.	572.27	3,329.64	9.07	
Foreign Missions Conference of North America.....	35.00	.....	272.00	
Premium on Surety Bond.....	12.50	12.50	12.50	
Incidentals.....	35.02	284.64	244.10	
<i>Total</i>				4,819.24
	<u>\$17,702.18</u>	<u>\$20,044.83</u>	<u>\$18,864.58</u>	
GRAND TOTAL				\$56,611.59

SCHEDULE NO. 5A

ANALYSIS OF EXPENSES—COÖPERATIVE DEPARTMENTS

LAYMEN'S MISSIONARY MOVE- MENT	1914	1915	1916	
Part Salary of Secretary.....	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	
Office Rent.....	126.00	126.00	126.00	
<i>Total</i>				3,378.00
MISSION STUDY DEPARTMENT				
Part Salary of Secretary.....	750.00	750.00	750.00	
General.....	813.59	705.73	764.28	
<i>Total</i>				4,533.60
WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY				
Part Salary of Field Secretary.	300.00	300.00	350.00	
<i>Total</i>				950.00
MISCELLANEOUS				
United Missionary Campaign..	533.13	125.00		
United Missionary and Stew- ardship Committee.....	479.45	719.17	958.90	
<i>Total</i>				2,815.65
	<u>\$4,002.17</u>	<u>\$3,725.90</u>	<u>\$3,949.18</u>	
<i>Grand Total</i>				\$11,677.25

SCHEDULE NO. 6
ANALYSIS OF DISBURSEMENTS
JAPAN MISSION

	JANUARY 1, 1914, TO DECEMBER 31, 1916			
	1914	1915	1916	1914-1916
Missionaries' Salaries.....	\$18,891.00	\$16,310.73	\$17,434.89	\$ 52,636.62
Missionaries' Salaries, paid in America.....	2,166.67	3,478.54	4,848.07	10,493.28
North Japan College.....	11,259.00	11,000.00	11,000.00	33,259.00
North Japan College, additional land.....	100.00			100.00
Miyagi Girls' School.....	5,050.00	5,550.00	5,550.00	16,150.00
Evangelistic Fund.....	10,456.21	10,500.00	11,070.00	32,026.21
Bible Women's Fund.....	2,191.12	2,309.99	2,666.29	7,167.40
Incidentals.....	539.51	1,094.97	1,078.92	2,713.40
Taxes.....	1,049.68	1,097.52	1,044.88	3,192.08
Insurance.....	480.30	562.23	480.77	1,523.30
Rent of Missionaries in America.....		218.00	355.00	573.00
Personal Teachers.....	2,461.62	2,948.83	2,697.92	8,108.37
Medical Attendance to Missionaries.....	1,230.57	1,146.97	1,095.76	3,473.30
General Repair Fund.....	1,367.49	940.44	565.31	2,873.24
House Repair Fund.....	788.52	671.40	514.91	1,974.83
Travel.....	1,611.74	1,671.91	1,838.41	5,122.06
Rent.....	750.00	1,151.25	1,707.89	3,609.14
Personals to Missionaries.....		134.65	21.00	155.65
Travel: To and from Japan.....	2,516.61	3,366.05	3,925.60	9,808.26
Outfit Expenses: New Missionaries.....	300.00	600.00		900.00
Business Office.....	512.58	489.37	514.61	1,516.56
Akita Chapel Fund.....	500.00		2,000.00	2,500.00
Yamagata Chapel.....	1,058.20		205.26	1,263.46
Kanda Chapel.....	397.75			397.75
Sendai Christian Orphanage....	40.00	110.00	133.00	283.00
Loss on Exchange.....	.77			.77
Miscellaneous Specials.....	5.00	15.00	84.00	104.00
Travel to America.....		300.00	3,150.00	3,450.00
Tokyo Grammar School.....		360.00	500.00	860.00
Transfer of Igari Lot.....		105.74		105.74
Interest on Igari Lot.....		150.00		150.00
H. H. Cook Funeral Expenses...			146.87	146.87
Land for North Japan College..			5,000.00	5,000.00
Summer Allowances to Missionaries.....			525.00	525.00
1916 Kindergarten Work.....			168.37	168.37
Azabu Rent.....			500.00	500.00
Cable Expense.....			15.96	15.96
Special Children's Allowance....		250.00		250.00
Special for Miss Tsuchida.....		35.00	35.00	70.00
Special Teacher for North Japan College.....		230.00		230.00
English Teacher North Japan College.....			525.00	525.00

Extra for Girls' School Budget...	250.00	250.00
Iizaka Chapel.....	60.00	60.00
Student Ogasawara.....	75.00	75.00
Balance of 1916 Budget.....	548.56	548.56
Medical Expenses, paid in America.....	109.95	109.95
	<u>\$65,724.34</u>	<u>\$66,798.59</u>
Total disbursements.....	\$82,442.20	\$ 214,965.13
CREDITS	1914	1915
Cash Balance January 1, 1914...	\$404.13	\$1,930.12
Profit on Exchange.....	301.76	487.53
Refunds on Travel: Japan.....	242.52	462.43
Refunds Insurance, North Japan		
College.....	87.98	
Interest on Bank balance: Japan	87.26	98.29
	<u>\$793.15</u>	<u>\$2,846.44</u>
Less Deficit: Dec. 31, 1915.....		\$739.24
		<u>290.64</u>
		\$448.60
RECAPITULATION		
Remittances and Home Disbursements (as per Exhibit C).....	\$66,861.31	\$63,661.51
Credits (as above).....	793.15	2,846.44
	<u>\$67,654.46</u>	<u>\$66,507.95</u>
Yearly Disbursements (as above)	65,724.34	66,798.59
	<u>\$ 1,930.12</u>	<u>\$ 290.64</u>
	Balance	Deficit
		Deficit

SCHEDULE NO. 7
ANALYSIS OF DISBURSEMENTS—CHINA MISSION
JANUARY 1, 1914, TO JUNE 30, 1916

	General			Yochow Station			Shenchow Station			Total
	1914	1915	1916	1914	1915	1916	1914	1915	1916	
* Missionaries' Salaries (Paid by Mission)...		\$100.00	\$108.33	\$10,309.75	\$7,211.28	\$3,755.58	\$6,425.63	\$3,601.66	\$1,956.16	\$33,498.39
Missionaries' Salaries (Paid at home)...				1,650.00	6,008.37	2,850.87		3,044.10	2,105.24	15,658.69
Lakeside School...				2,450.00	2,500.00	1,250.00				6,200.00
Eastview Boys' School...							1,000.00	1,000.00	500.00	2,500.00
Girls' School...				860.00	841.09	450.00	550.00	700.00	400.00	3,801.09
Hospital Maintenance...				1,372.06	1,020.00	600.00	900.00	801.03	600.00	5,283.09
Ecclesiastic Fund...				1,000.00	1,250.00	750.00	600.00	675.00	375.00	4,650.00
Bible Women's Fund...				300.00	300.00	150.00	60.00	60.00	30.00	900.00
Personal Teachers...				250.00	250.00	125.00	200.00	200.00	100.00	1,125.00
Incidentals...				200.00	200.00	100.00	200.00	200.00	100.00	1,000.00
Repairs, Lakeside...				300.00	300.00	150.00	100.00	100.00	50.00	1,000.00
Repairs, Yochow...				520.99	500.00	247.08	400.00	400.00	200.00	1,268.07
Repairs, Shenchow...				30.00	30.00	15.00	90.00	90.00	45.00	300.00
Gatekeeper...				325.00	200.00	100.00	175.00	300.00	150.00	1,250.00
Travel, To and from China...	\$2,751.13	4,739.39	3,109.35							10,649.87
Outfit Expenses...										
New Missionaries...			300.00	600.00			600.00			1,500.00
Margaret Santos Library Fund...				30.00		15.00				45.00
Missionary Residence...							1,863.45			1,863.45
Specials for Missionaries...					350.95	103.00	10.00	2.50		745.82
Hankow Union Medical School...	250.00	500.00		279.37						750.00
Nanking Language School...	203.53									203.53
Kinsley School of Missions...	178.70									178.70
Miscellaneous...	23.49	84.30	71.50							181.29
Franklin Relief...		10.00								10.00
Joseph Garber Chapel Fund...		500.00								500.00
Single Ladies' Residence...							244.38			244.38
Medical...		50.00								50.00
Cabarets, postage Supplies, etc...		84.64								84.64
Special Traveling...		113.49								113.49
Hunan Union Theol. Sem'y...		113.52								113.52
Hunan Union Theol. Sem'y Property...		2,000.00								2,000.00
Christian Literature Society...		50.00								50.00
Loss by Exchange...		75.28	1.31			6,000.00				76.59
Zelmer Girls' School Building...	\$3,408.85	\$5,480.62	\$3,590.49	\$20,777.17	\$21,361.69	\$17,089.53	\$13,174.08	\$11,418.67	\$6,611.40	\$105,912.50

SUPPLEMENT OF SCHEDULE NO. 7

DISBURSEMENTS FROM JULY 1, 1916, TO DECEMBER 31,
1916, AND RECAPITULATION FROM 1914-1916

Remittances to China Mission, July 1, 1916, to December 31, 1916.....	\$14,000.00
Paid to Missionaries in America.....	4,543.55
Account Travel to and from China.....	2,483.65
Shenchow Hospital.....	422.68
Hoy Memorial Hospital.....	156.20
Rent (Missionary on furlough).....	125.00
Medical Supplies.....	- 55.80
Shenchow Girls' School.....	30.89
Disbursements from July 1, 1916, to December 31, 1916.....	\$ 21,817.77
* Total Disbursements from January 1, 1914, to June 30, 1916.....	\$105,912.50
Cash Balance: China Mission, June 30, 1916..	4,428.31
	<u>110,340.81</u>
	\$132,158.58

RECAPITULATION

Cash Balance: January 1, 1914.....	\$ 420.55
Remittances and Disbursements of Treasurer to China Mission:	
1914. (Exhibit C).....	37,479.45
1915. (Exhibit C).....	39,104.44
1916. (Exhibit C).....	54,517.53
	<u>131,101.42</u>
Refunds: Travel—China.....	636.61
	<u>\$132,158.58</u>

SCHEDULE NO. 8

LOANS—DECEMBER 31, 1916

		<i>Term Notes</i>		
<i>Date</i>	<i>Payee</i>	<i>Due</i>	<i>Amount</i>	
Oct. 23, 1916	Allentown Nat. Bank	Jan. 21, 1917	\$10,000.00	
Oct. 25, 1916	" "	Jan. 23, 1917	5,000.00	
Nov. 16, 1916	" "	Feb. 15, 1917	5,000.00	
Dec. 8, 1916	" "	Mar. 9, 1917	3,000.00	
Dec. 26, 1916	" "	Mar. 26, 1917	5,000.00	
			<u>28,000.00</u>	
<i>Demand Notes</i>				
	Allen Trust Company.....		5,000.00	
	Payable to Individuals.....		13,900.00	
			<u>18,900.00</u>	
				\$46,900.00

* Fiscal year of China Mission, June 30.

SCHEDULE NO. 9

VALUATION OF PROPERTIES—JAPAN MISSION

SENDAI SCHOOLS (Including Buildings and Land)

North Japan College

1. Lower Department "Land"	\$13,500.00
Recitation Hall.....	30,000.00
Dormitory.....	4,000.00
Other Buildings.....	500.00
Higher Department Theologi- cal "Land".....	12,500.00
College "Land".....	8,500.00*
Recitation Hall.....	10,000.00
Dormitory.....	1,000.00
Other Buildings.....	500.00
Industrial Home "Land".....	6,000.00
Dormitory.....	750.00
Other Buildings.....	400.00
	<u>\$87,650.00</u>

*Less: Unpaid portion of purchase price
(\$8,500.00) College land, Higher Depart-
ment..... 3,500.00

\$84,150.00

Miyagi Girls' School

Land.....	23,000.00
Two Recitation Halls.....	29,500.00
Dormitory.....	6,000.00
Other Buildings.....	500.00
	<u>59,000.00</u>

CHURCHES AND PARSONAGES (Including Land)

Higashi Rokubanchō, Sendai.....	1,950.00
Aramachi, Sendai.....	1,750.00
Kita Yobanchō, Sendai.....	2,400.00
Nagamachi, Miyagi Prefecture.....	450.00
Fukushima.....	4,800.00
Wakamatsu.....	3,500.00
Yamagata.....	3,550.00
Yonezawa.....	2,000.00
Koishikawa, Tokyo.....	3,000.00
Nakamura.....	700.00
Kanda, Tokyo.....	850.00
Sakata.....	950.00
Iizaka.....	512.00
Akita.....	<u>1,910.00</u>

28,322 00

RESIDENCES (Including Land)

In Sendai Eight (8).....	27,800.00
In Yamagata Two (2).....	7,250.00
In Wakamatsu One (1).....	7,000.00
In Tokyo One (1).....	<u>10,000.00</u>

52,050.00

Total..... \$223,522.00

SCHEDULE NO. 10

VALUATION OF PROPERTIES, CHINA MISSION

SHENCHOW STATION

10 acres land, Shenchow City, comprising South Compound, North Compound, East Gate Gardens, and Peace Garden.....	\$3000.00
<i>Residence No. 1</i>	
Situated in South Compound.....	1800.00
<i>Residence No. 2</i>	
3-Story cottage situated in North Compound.....	2500.00
<i>Boys' School</i>	
2-Story brick Building situated in North Compound.....	6000.00
<i>Girls' School</i>	
2-Story brick Building situated in South Compound.....	6000.00
<i>Men's Hospital</i>	
2-Story brick Building situated in North Compound.....	\$6000.00
<i>Women's Hospital</i>	
2-Story brick Building situated in North Compound.....	6000.00
<i>Church</i>	
T-Shaped brick Building with tile roof, situated in South Compound.....	3000.00
<i>Dispensary</i>	
1-Story brick Building situated in North Compound.....	500.00
<i>Gate-House and Buildings</i>	1200.00
<i>Luchi Property</i>	
1 Frame house, lot included, situated at Luchi, 20 miles west of Shenchow.....	350.73
<i>Wu Suh Property</i>	
Situated at Out-station Wu Suh.....	83.34
<i>Inventories:</i>	
<i>Girls' School</i>	
Furniture including bedding.....	620.00
Organ.....	90.00
Library.....	150.00
<i>Boys' School</i>	
Furniture.....	540.00
Organ.....	100.00
Library.....	200.00
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	\$ 38,134.07

YOCOW STATION

Yochow

Lots and improvements; including Original Purchase from London Mission, subsequent purchases of lots, walls, well, well-house, church lots, Girls' School lots, Hospital lots, Dispensary lots, Woman's work lots, together with various small buildings purchased with said lots.....		\$7964.85
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Girls' School

Ziemer Memorial Girls' School—		
2½-Story brick Building.....	12,000.00	
Kitchen, Laundry, 1-story bldg.....	1,500.00	
Teachers' Houses.....	1,100.00	
		14,600.00

Yochow Hospital

2 Story brick Building, including out-buildings: kitchen, laundry, laboratory, etc.....		\$4,316.68
Franz Dispensary, 1-story brick....	315.31	
Nurses' Home, 1-story brick.....	166.85	
		4798.84

Church, Yochow

1-Story brick Building.....	2,663.85	
Evangelist's House at rear of church, 1-story brick Bldg.....	226.70	

	2890.55	
<i>Woman's Work Buildings</i>	900.00	

Mei Shih Giao Street Chapel

Altered Chinese shops.....	431.67	
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Main Street Chapel

Altered Chinese shops.....	1013.43	
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Dwelling No. 1

2-Story brick Building.....	1539.15	
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Dwelling No. 2

2-Story brick Building.....	1404.55	
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Dwelling No. 3

Ladies' Residence, 2-Story brick Building.....	2153.28	
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Dwelling No. 4

2-Story brick Building.....	1892.54	
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Men's and Women's Guest Rooms

2 one-story brick Buildings.....	275.79	
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Gate-Room and Book-Room

1-Story brick Building.....	67.82	
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<i>Servants' Quarters</i>	
A row of one-story brick rooms, tile roof.....	63.50
Carpenter Shed.....	49.87
<i>Out-Stations</i>	
Yochow Port—Lot.....	303.35
<i>Buildings</i>	
Extending from Main Street, back to river front, a series of buildings,—Street—Chapel, including provision for day-school; church; rooms for evangelist's family; room for guest (brick with tile roof).....	1400.00
<i>Lin Hsiang</i>	
Lot with Chinese buildings arranged for Chapel, day-schools, evangelist's home.....	751.17
<i>Hsin Chiang</i>	
Lot.....	80.00
Day-school—1-story brick Bldg....	288.47
	368.47
<i>Yun Hsi Chan</i>	
Lot with Chinese house.....	129.40
LAKESIDE	
<i>Hoffman Hall</i>	
2-Story, 24 rooms, brick with tile roof Dormitory.....	3346.16
<i>Recitation Hall</i>	
2-Story brick building, tile roof, 8 large and 4 small recitation rooms.....	3032.16
<i>Cottage Dormitory (Annex)</i>	
2-Story brick Building, 8 rooms.....	707.43
<i>Kitchen and Servants' Quarters</i>	
1-Story brick Building, 6 rooms.....	439.10
<i>Dining Room and Gymnasium</i>	
1-Story brick, with tile roof building.....	1355.36
<i>Boat-house and Oil-room</i>	
2 Small 1-story brick bldgs.....	49.41
<i>Horse-Stable and Carpenter's Shed</i>	
2 brick 1-story buildings.....	141.05
<i>Contagious Hospital</i>	
1-Story brick bldg. of 3 rooms.....	83.10
<i>School-Byer's House</i>	
1-Story, 2 rooms, brick with tile roof, construction.....	108.00
<i>Evangelist's House and Day-School</i>	
1-Story brick Building.....	250.00
3 Missionaries homes.....	6647.72
Chapel.....	2325.10
<i>4 Cottages</i>	
"Chinese Teachers".....	1320.00
Lakeside Land Property.....	6595.20
Inventories.....	623.37
	70,021.39
Total.....	\$108,155.46

SCHEDULE NO. 11

1. INVESTED FUNDS

Brinker Legacy	Knoxville Gas Company preferred, 6 per cent.....	\$1,700.00
Dechant Legacy	Edison Electric Illuminating Co., Lebanon, Pa., first mort- gage bond, 5 per cent.....	100.00
Bucher Legacy	Edison Electric Illuminating Co., Lebanon, Pa., first mort- gage bond, 5 per cent.....	500.00
Summy Donation	Lebanon Steam Laundry, coupon bond.....	100.00
	First mortgage on Lebanon City real estate.....	\$1,700.00
Dietz Legacy	Y. M. C. A. bonds.....	700.00
	United Telephone and Telegraph bond.....	500.00
	[Part of Sarah Ziegler legacy included.]	2,900.00
Gilbert Fund	Two United Telephone and Telegraph first mortgage bonds, 5 per cent.....	1,000.00
Malinda M. Acker Legacy	Lebanon Steam Heat Co. mortgage bond, 5 per cent.....	500.00
George W. and Agnes Hoffman Donation		
First China Mission Fund for Education of Native Ministers	United Telephone and Telegraph first mortgage bonds, 5 per cent.....	500.00
Second China Mission Fund for Education of Native Ministers	United Telephone and Telegraph first mortgage bonds, 5 per cent.....	500.00
McCauley- Hoke Mem- orial Fund	City of Denver, Colo., bond, 6 per cent.....	500.00
Sundry Legacies	Real Estate Trust Co., Philadelphia, Pa.....	100.00
	United Telephone and Telegraph first mortgage bond, 5 per cent.....	500.00
Williard Legacy		
	Total.....	\$8,900.00

2. OTHER FUNDS

Hiviling Legacy	Applied on purchase of North Japan College Lot, Sendai...	\$2,887.50
	Part of Sarah Ziegler bequest.....	112.50
		\$3,000.00
Ziegler Bequest	"Sarah Ziegler Bequest" combined as above.....	150.00
McCauley Fund	The "McCauley Memorial Building Fund," applied to building of Nibancho Church, Sendai.....	500.00
Williard Legacy	Applied on purchase of North Japan College Lot, Sendai...	500.00
Baer- McCauley Fund	(Bond matured, proceeds to be re-invested).....	500.00
Kuhns Bequest	Uninvested.....	5,000.00

SUPPORTERS OF SPECIAL OBJECTS 1914-1917

The Board of Foreign Missions desires to record its appreciation of the extra contributions from congregations, Sunday Schools, societies and individuals toward the support of special objects in Japan and China. These "designated gifts" represent a high level of liberality as well as a deep interest in the work of Foreign Missions.

MISSIONARIES IN JAPAN AND CHINA

(The salary of a married man is \$1200, of a single lady \$600, and of a single man \$700.)

<i>Supporter</i>	<i>Missionary</i>
Mercersburg Academy, Mercersburg, Pa.	Dr. William F. Adams.
Grace Church, Akron, Ohio.....	Rev. Ezra H. Guinther.
Grace Church, Akron, Ohio.....	Miss Elizabeth J. Miller.
Hood College, Frederick, Md.....	Miss Mary E. Gerhard.
Gertrude B. Hoy Circle of Friends.....	Miss Gertrude B. Hoy.
St. John's Church, Shamokin, Pa.....	Undesignated.
St. Paul's Church, Reading, Pa.....	Undesignated.
St. John's Church, Schuylkill Haven, Pa...	Miss Helen B. Ammerman.
St. John's Church, Allentown, Pa.....	Rev. Christopher Noss, D.D.
Reimert Prayer Circle.....	Rev. William A. Reimert.
Juniata Classical Missionary Society.....	Mrs. Meta B. Beck.
First Reformed Church, Galion, Ohio....	Miss Ollie A. Brick.
First Church, Galion, Ohio, and Kentucky Classis.....	Rev. Carl D. Kriete.
St. John's Church, Sunbury, Pa.....	Miss Rebecca N. Messimer.

JAPAN MISSION

Out-stations

(The annual cost of maintenance is from \$200 to \$600)

<i>Supporter</i>	<i>Station</i>
Salem Sunday School, Harrisburg, Pa.....	Shiroishi.
Rev. and Mrs. B. M. Meyer, Elizabethtown, Pa.....	Iizaka.
St. John's Sunday School, Bellefonte, Pa.....	Koshigaya.
C. E. Society, Bluffton, Ind.....	Wakamatsu.
St. Paul's Miss. Society, Woodstock, Va.....	Wakamatsu.
Third Church Miss. Society, Baltimore, Md.....	Wakamatsu.
Circle of Five, Lock Haven, Pa.....	Wakamatsu.
J. O. Miller Missionary Society, York, Pa.....	Wakamatsu.
Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Shiffer, Ft. Wayne, Ind.....	Wakamatsu.
Missionary Society, Huntingdon, Pa.....	Tsurugaoka.
Men's League, St. Peter's Church, Huntingdon, Ind.....	Matsuyama.
Heidelberg University, Tiffin, Ohio.....	Yamagata.
Godfrey Burk, Cleveland, Ohio.....	Akita.
Christ Sunday School, Orrville, Ohio.....	Azabu.
Trinity Church, Altoona, Pa.....	Arai.
First Sunday School, Spring City, Pa.....	Yonezawa.
Trinity Church, Wilkinsburg, Pa.....	Sakata.
Sunday School and Miss. Society, Mt. Pleasant, Pa.....	Shinjo.

BIBLE WOMEN

(Annual Support from \$50 to \$125)

<i>Supporter</i>	<i>Bible Woman</i>
Christ Sunday School, Elizabethtown, Pa.....	Miss Yasu Ishinomori.
Miss Fianna Leicht, Elizabethtown, Pa.....	Miss Sue Kibe.
St. Peter's Sunday School, Zelienople, Pa.....	Miss Toko Ogoi.
Missionary Society, Jefferson, Md.....	Miss Chika Yoshida.
Calvary Sunday School, Philadelphia, Pa.....	Miss Masa Munakata.
Mrs. A. V. Shuford, Hickory, N. C.....	Miss Take Yamamoto.
Ladies' Auxiliary, Lost Nation, Ia.....	Mrs. Yone Tamaru.
Israel S. S. Class No. 2, Paris, Ohio.....	Miss Tatsuyo Mayama.
Missionary Society, Huntingdon, Pa.....	Miss Katsumi Saito.

SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS

(These Funds are helping many worthy boys and girls in obtaining a Christian training. Conditions are such in Japan and China that a child may be obliged to leave school at any time. This is one reason why the Missions have requested the Board not to promise patrons particular students. Some of the patrons in the following list have paid for only one year. All contributions sent as scholarships are spent for that purpose.)

NORTH JAPAN COLLEGE

(\$40 per annum)

Supporter

Grace Church, Altoona, Pa.
 Rev. H. E. Sechler, China Grove, N. C.
 First Sunday School, Cincinnati, O.
 G. Raymond Smith, Latrobe, Pa.
 Missionary Society, Christ Sunday School, Robertsville, Ohio.
 Men's Bible Class, St. Paul's Memorial Church, Reading, Pa.
 W. M. S., Ohio Synod.

MIYAGI GIRLS' SCHOOL

(\$35 per annum)

Supporter

Mission Band and Women's Missionary Society, Lisbon, Ia.
 Young Women's Missionary Society, Evans City, Ohio.
 Woman's Missionary Society, First Church, Dayton, Ohio.
 Young Ladies' Missionary Society, First Church, Dayton, Ohio.
 St. John's Junior Christian Endeavor Society, Milton, Pa.
 First Sunday School, Cincinnati, Ohio.
 Christ Junior Christian Endeavor Society, Hagerstown, Md.
 Ladies' Friendship Bible Class, West Leesport, Pa.
 Mrs. R. Hirt, Jr., Detroit, Mich.
 Member Grace Christian Endeavor Society, Akron, Ohio.
 Grace Sunday School, Frederick, Md.
 King's Daughters, Trinity Church, New Kensington, Pa.
 A Friend, Bethlehem, Pa.
 Faithful Circle, Salem Church, Cincinnati, Ohio.
 Grace Church, Akron, Ohio.
 Mission Band, Lansdale, Pa.
 Adolph Boesel, New Bremen, Ohio.
 Freeburg Charge, Pa.

Godfrey Burk, Cleveland, Ohio.
 Christ Sunday School, Robertsville, Ohio.
 Woman's Missionary Society, Central Synod.
 A Friend to Missions.

CHINA MISSION

Out-stations

(The annual cost of maintenance is from \$150 to \$400)

<i>Supporter</i>	<i>Station</i>
Grace Sunday School, Akron, Ohio.....	Yochow Port.
Heidelberg League, C. E. S., Wilson Ave. Church, Columbus, Ohio.....	Luchi.

Bible Woman's Work

(Salary from \$30 to \$60 per annum)

Woman's Missionary Society, Christ Church, Hagerstown, Md.
 Miss Malinda Frick, Norristown, Pa.
 Missionary Society, First Church, Lancaster, Pa.
 F. H. Bauer, Sandusky, Ohio.
 Kreutz Christian Endeavor Society, Berne, Ind.
 Missionary Society and Sunday School, Marion, Pa.
 Hawker's Church, Dayton, Ohio.
 Woman's Missionary Society, General Synod.
 Woman's Missionary Society, Southwest Synod.
 Woman's Missionary Society, Central Synod.
 Woman's Missionary Society, Potomac Synod.

LAKESIDE SCHOOLS, YOCHOW CITY

(\$25 per annum)

Fourth Church Christian Endeavor Society, Dayton, Ohio.
 Trinity Christian Endeavor Society, Philadelphia, Pa.
 Mercersburg Academy, Mercersburg, Pa.
 Christ Sunday School, Robertsville, Ohio.
 Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Motts, Osnaburg, Ohio.
 Christian Endeavor Society, Huntingdon, Pa.
 Mt. Hermon Sunday School, Philadelphia, Pa.
 Frauen Verein, St. Peters, Yutan, Neb.
 Trinity Sunday School, Mt. Crawford, Va.
 Mrs. H. H. Kattman's Sunday School Class, Berne, Ind.
 Rev. H. E. Sechler, China Grove, N. C.
 Primary Department, Evangelical Sunday School, Frederick, Md.
 Helping Hand Society, St. James, Limerick, Pa.
 Mrs. Maud Stanley, Beloit, Ohio.
 Mr. F. H. Hantzman, Harrisburg, Pa.
 Grace Christian Endeavor Society, Springfield, Ohio.
 Arthur Bible Class, Grace Church, Springfield, Ohio.
 Mrs. C. Stengel's Sunday School Class, Berne, Ind.
 Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Gerber, York, Pa.
 Mission Study Class, St. Peter's Church, Lancaster, Pa.
 Mrs. Scull's Boys' Class, Somerset, Pa.
 Cairo Sunday School, New Berlin, Ohio.
 St. Paul's Christian Endeavor Society, Kansas City, Mo.
 Intermediate Department, Zion's Sunday School, Baltimore, Md.

Clarence E. Rossell, Dayton, O.
 Christ Sunday School, Robertsville, O.
 Christian Endeavor Society, Fostoria, Ohio.

EASTVIEW BOYS' SCHOOL, SHENCHOWFU

(\$25 per annum)

Golden Rule Sunday School Class, Trinity Church, Wadsworth, Ohio.
 Heckerman Missionary Society, Cessna, Pa.
 Mt. Olivet Woman's Missionary Society, North Lima, Ohio.
 Mrs. I. R. Hazen, North Lima, Ohio.
 Faith Sunday School, Reading, Pa.
 Godfrey Burk, Cleveland, Ohio.
 Zion Sunday School (Birthday Fund), York, Pa.
 St. Paul Sunday School, Pleasant Unity, Pa.
 Noil Missionary Society, St. Matthew's, Enola, Pa.
 St. Paul's Christian Endeavor Society, Bellevue, Ohio.
 Hebron Class, Zion Sunday School, York, Pa.
 St. Mark's Sunday School, Monroe, Pa.
 George B. Geiser, Philadelphia, Pa.
 Frederick S. Gross, Philadelphia, Pa.

ADDITIONAL BOY STUDENTS IN CHINA

Mission Band, Lisbon, Ia.
 Teachers' Training Class, Christ Sunday School, Robertsville, Ohio.
 St. John's Sunday School, Wapwallopen, Pa.
 Zion's Christian Endeavor Society, Louisville, Ohio.
 First Sunday School, East Mauch Chunk, Pa.
 Member of Church at Freeburg, Pa.
 Grace Christian Endeavor Society, Shippensburg, Pa.
 Class No. 11, Christ Sunday School, Robertsville, Ohio.
 O. A. B. C., St. James Lovettsville, Va.

ZIEMER MEMORIAL GIRLS' SCHOOL, YOCHOW CITY

(\$25 per annum)

Christ Church, Latrobe, Pa.
 Ladies' Society, Haskins, Ohio.
 Miss Annie Wolff, Pittsburgh, Pa.
 Miss Dora Ebersole, Greensburg, Pa.
 St. John's Church, Bedford, Pa.
 Christian Endeavor Society, Willow Street, Pa.
 Mr. J. H. Knoll, Reading, Pa.
 Birthday Fund, Zion Sunday School, York, Pa.
 Zion's Church, Stroudsburg, Pa.
 Men's Bible Class, St. Paul's Memorial Church, Reading, Pa.
 First Sunday School, Xenia, Ohio.
 Young Ladies' Bible Class, Souderton, Pa.
 Miss Margaret Sheckes' Zion's, Sunday School Class, Reading, Pa.
 Harmony Bible Class, Trinity Church, Thornville, O.
 Grace Church and Sunday School, Frederick, Md.
 Fourth Church, Harrisburg, Pa.
 Grace Christian Endeavor Society, Sioux City, Ia.
 Primary Department Sunday School, Evangelical Church, Frederick, Md.
 Junior Department, Fourth Sunday School, Dayton, Ohio.
 Trinity Sunday School, East Petersburg, Pa.

Ladies' Aid Society, Christ Church, Boston, Mass.
 O. A. B. C., Salem Sunday School, Emlenton, Pa.
 Heckerman Missionary Society, Cessna, Pa.
 Mr. and Mrs. Henry Heitzman, Lost Nation, Ia.
 St. Peter's Christian Endeavor Society, Clay City, Ind.
 Woman's Missionary Society, General Synod.
 Woman's Missionary Society, Wichita Classis.
 Woman's Missionary Society, Eastern Synod.

GIRLS' SCHOOL, SHENCHOWFU

\$25 per annum)

First Sunday School, Lancaster, Pa.
 St. Mark's Sunday School, Easton, Pa.
 Wooster Ave. Christian Endeavor Society Akron, Ohio.
 Miss Laura A. Clemmer's Sunday School Class, W. Alexandria, Ohio.
 Mrs. Fred S. Gross, Philadelphia, Pa.
 Hope Circle Sunday School Class, Albion Church, W. Salem, Ohio.
 First Sunday School, Cedar Rapids, Ia.
 O. A. B. C. Gleaners, Broadheadsville, Pa.
 Young People's Society, Ohio Synod.
 Woman's Missionary Society, Eastern Synod.
 Woman's Missionary Society, Potomac Synod.

ADDITIONAL GIRL STUDENTS IN CHINA

Sunday School Class of Girls, Sunbury, Pa.
 Ladies' Aid Society, Yutan, Neb.
 Christian Endeavor Society, Yutan, Neb.
 Woman's Missionary Society, Lone Tree, Ia.
 Trinity Missionary Society, Troutville, Pa.
 Miss Blanche B. Zercher, Conestoga, Pa.
 Misses Anna E. and Gertrude L. Berthel, Mt. Pleasant, Pa.
 Pauline Missionary Society, First Church, E. Mauch Chunk, Pa.
 Lady Member, Tipton, Ia.
 Charity Class, Redeemer Sunday School, Littlestown, Pa.
 King's Daughters, Trinity Church, New Kensington, Pa.
 Mission Study Class, St. Peter's, Lancaster, Pa.
 Woman's Missionary Society, Salem Church, Harrisburg, Pa.
 Member of Woman's Missionary Society, Salem Church, Harrisburg, Pa.
 Woman's Missionary Society, Trinity Church, Thornville, Ohio.
 Brown Memorial, Woman's Aid and Missionary Society and Molly Carpenter Fund of McGaheyville and Mt. Crawford, Va.
 Searchlight Club, Orrville, Ohio.
 Christian Endeavor Society, New Bremen, Ohio.
 Mrs. B. W. Swigart, Kenmore, Ohio.
 Grace Sunday School Class, Detroit, Mich.
 St. Paul's Christian Endeavor Society, St. Mary's, Ohio.
 Sunday School Class, Orrville, Ohio.
 Woman's Missionary Society, Southwest Synod.
 Woman's Missionary Society, Pittsburgh Synod.
 Woman's Missionary Society, Ohio Synod.

BEDS IN HOY MEMORIAL HOSPITAL, YOCHOW CITY

(\$25 will maintain a bed for one year)

Ladies' Bible Class, Huntingdon, Pa.
 J. O. Miller Missionary Society, York, Pa.

Heidelberg Christian Endeavor, Marion, Pa.
 Mr. George B. Geiser, Philadelphia, Pa.
 Friendship Class, First Sunday School, Fremont, Ohio.
 Pastor's Aid Society, Christ Reformed Church, Middletown, Md.
 Missionary Club, Harmony Church, Zwingle, Ia.
 Woman's Missionary Society, Eastern Synod.
 Woman's Missionary Society, Potomac Synod.
 Mrs. M. L. Henning and Family, Louisville, Ohio.
 Crestline Christian Endeavor Society, Crestline, Ohio.

BEDS IN ABOUNDING GRACE HOSPITAL, SHENCHOWFU

Men's Bible Class, St. Paul's Memorial Church, Reading, Pa.
 Woman's Missionary Society, Eastern Synod.

COOK IN ZIEMER GIRLS' SCHOOL, YOCHOW, CHINA

Rev. S. T. Wagner, New Bloomfield, Pa.

MATRON IN ZIEMER GIRLS' SCHOOL, YOCHOW, CHINA

Fourth Church, Harrisburg, Pa.

MARGARET SANTEE MEMORIAL LIBRARY, YOCHOW, CHINA

Woman's Missionary Society, Potomac Synod.

CHAPEL FUNDS

Japan

Bequest of Mrs. Magdalena Bair.....Akita.
 The Christian and Lewis Henry Steiner Memorial.....Taira.

China

Wm. G. Hoke, Grace Church, Hanover, Pa.
 (To be named "The Joseph Garber Fund").....Yochow Field.
 David and Catherine Krieger.....Yochow Field.

OUTFIT AND PASSAGE MONEY FOR MISSIONARIES

Member St. Luke's, Lock Haven, Pa.
 Miss Mabel J. March, Harrisburg, Pa.
 Junior C. E. Society, Fourth Church, Harrisburg, Pa.
 Mrs. W. H. Shultz, Payne, O.
 Mrs. Anna Ehrle, Wheeling, W. Va.
 Mrs. Maggie Braid, Homeworth, O.
 Miss Elizabeth Guthrie, Lone Tree, Ia.
 St. John's Sunday School, Spencerville, Ohio.
 Ladies' Aid and Missionary Society, Springboro, Ohio.
 Mt. Eaton, Ohio, Congregation.
 Mr. Walter Wickerson, Springboro, Ohio.
 Mr. Paul Harbaugh, Franklin, Ohio.
 Miss Callie Beck, Lebanon, Ohio.
 Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Stone, Lebanon, Ohio.
 "Floreys" of Mt. Eaton, Ohio.
 Members, Springboro, Ohio.
 Christ Church and Sunday School, Orrville, Ohio.
 Grace Sunday School, Akron, Ohio.
 Trinity Sunday School, Akron, Ohio.
 First Sunday School, Akron, Ohio.
 Miller Avenue Sunday School, Akron, Ohio.
 Willard Sunday School, Akron, Ohio.

Miss Mary Swanders, Swanders, Ohio.
 Beaver Congregation and Sunday School, Xenia, Ohio.
 Zion's, Ashland, Pa.

SENDAI CHRISTIAN ORPHANAGE, JAPAN

(Our Mission has had a part in founding, controlling and sustaining this Orphanage from the beginning. One of the cottages bears the name of the Reformed Church. The maintenance of an orphan requires about \$40 a year.)

Mr. M. L. Mantz, Spencer, Ohio.
 Primary Department and Sunday School, St. Paul's, Reading, Pa.
 H. O. A. B. Class, No. 5, Trinity Church, Philadelphia, Pa.
 Miss E. W. Clossom, Trinity Church, Philadelphia, Pa.
 Trinity Sunday School, Philadelphia, Pa.
 Central Ave. Church, Indianapolis, Ind.
 St. John's Sunday School, Ft. Wayne, Ind.
 A Friend.
 Mr. James H. Hall, Jeannette, Pa.
 Mr. G. W. Hassler, Chambersburg, Pa.
 Mrs. P. T. Kuhns, Frederick, Md.
 Emanuel Sunday School, Philadelphia, Pa.
 Grace Church, Philadelphia, Pa.
 K. Eberhart's Class, Indianapolis, Ind.
 St. John's Sunday School, Indianapolis, Ind.
 Woman's Missionary Society, North Carolina Classis.

STATISTICS OF THE EVANGELISTIC WORK OF THE JAPAN MISSION OF THE REFORMED CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES, 1916

When Started.	PLACE.	COMMUN. MEMBERS.			INCREASE.			DECREASE.			ATTENDANTS				SUNDAY SCHOOLS.			EXPENDITURES.			INCOME.			Appropriated for Building or Repair.	Appropriated from Bible Women's Fund.	Valuation of Property.							
		Men.	Women.	Total.	Adult Baptism.	Letter.	Confession or Restoration.	Death.	Letter.	Erasure.	Total.	Resident Adult Members.			Catechumens.			Average Attendance at Regular Services.	Number.	Teachers Enrolled.	Pupils Enrolled.	Average Attendance of Pupils.	Members of Y. P. Societies.				Congregational Purposes.		Contributions to Classs, Synod or Board.	Total.	Contributed by Japanese Christians.	Appropriated by Evangel- istic Committee.	Total.
												Unordained Ministers.	Bible Women.	Church Buildings.	Other Meeting Places.	Guest Members.	Catechumens.										Total.						
Ordnained Ministers.	Unordained Ministers.	Bible Women.	Church Buildings.	Other Meeting Places.	Men.	Women.	Total.	Adult Baptism.	Letter.	Confession or Restoration.	Death.	Letter.	Erasure.	Total.	Children Baptized This Year.	Resident Adult Members.	Catechumens.	Total.	Average Attendance at Regular Services.	Number.	Teachers Enrolled.	Pupils Enrolled.	Average Attendance of Pupils.	Members of Y. P. Societies.	Congregational Purposes.	Contributions to Classs, Synod or Board.	Total.	Contributed by Japanese Christians.	Appropriated by Evangel- istic Committee.	Total.			
1884	Kanda, Tokyo.	1	1	1	73	44	117	3	6	4	13	1	4	1	1	102	15	117	33	1	5	45	47	20	\$506.78	\$5.01	\$901.79	\$211.36	\$402.62	\$613.98	\$890		
1902	Koshikawa.	1	1	1	43	36	79	6	11	4	17	1	4	1	53	20	80	117	39	2	6	110	94	20	426.76	13.91	440.67	223.90	242.50	466.40	3900		
1910	Azabu.	1	1	1	2	3	5	3	1	4	1	1	1	1	15	5	2	20	87	2	3	38	19	13	296.69	7.43	296.69	232.90	242.50	554.00	3000		
1884	Iwatsuki.	1	1	1	18	5	23	3	1	4	2	2	1	1	17	3	15	4	10	4	3	38	19	13	296.69	7.43	296.69	232.90	242.50	554.00	3000		
1884	Kosugaya.	1	1	1	38	45	83	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	34	34	36	10	5	1	78	43	21	232.21	7.01	232.21	210.00	232.21	233.62	250			
1911	Urawa.	1	1	1	11	13	24	2	1	3	3	8	1	1	24	12	36	14	2	1	68	28	11	397.69	3.00	397.69	40.94	360.00	72.48	200			
1901	Omiya.	1	1	1	3	2	5	1	4	4	4	4	4	4	13	3	8	10	5	1	15	22	16	384.69	3.00	384.69	40.94	360.00	72.48	200			
1886	Hasuda.	1	1	1	10	3	13	1	2	1	3	2	1	1	13	3	15	5	1	1	30	27	13	287.13	5.52	292.65	21.15	232.60	304.73	150			
1910	Oshi.	1	1	1	14	11	25	1	3	3	3	10	2	10	11	17	1	1	1	1	30	27	13	287.13	5.52	292.65	21.15	232.60	304.73	82			
1910	Konosu.	1	1	1	8	5	13	2	1	3	3	10	2	10	11	17	1	1	1	1	30	27	13	287.13	5.52	292.65	21.15	232.60	304.73	150			
Tokyo Field Totals.		4	2	5	220	167	387	19	26	4	49	7	6	22	35	4	286	6	72	364	125	13	21	508	412	36	\$2418.79	\$31.55	\$2450.34	\$645.97	\$1822.93	\$2516.30	\$4532
1889	Aramachi, Sendai.	1	1	1	60	41	101	7	2	9	9	4	4	6	70	5	22	97	40	2	14	201	132	14	270.22	8.91	279.13	109.69	172.25	281.94	1750		
1891	Nagamachi.	1	1	1	18	6	24	14	1	1	1	1	1	1	14	5	9	23	13	3	6	97	89	16	26.50	3.67	23.50	3.67	23.50	27.17	300		
1897	Kitayobancho, Sen.	1	1	1	18	18	36	3	1	4	1	1	1	1	32	7	39	33	3	10	165	142	1	298.63	6.44	305.07	66.40	234.25	300.65	2400			
1884	Nanakita.	1	1	1	7	5	12	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	6	4	16	7	1	15	50	42	1	86.44	3.20	89.64	31.20	54.00	85.20				
1904	Miyagi Hara.	1	1	1	3	6	9	2	1	2	2	26	26	26	9	5	14	9	2	10	168	96	1	169.42	6.55	175.97	61.20	163.22	169.77				
1904	Arai.	1	1	1	31	41	72	2	7	9	1	1	1	1	37	3	10	50	13	1	2	67	42	3	38.19	37.85	38.19	29.37	38.14	450			
1881	Ishinomaki.	1	1	1	41	31	72	2	7	9	1	1	1	1	37	3	10	50	13	1	2	67	42	3	38.19	37.85	38.19	29.37	38.14	450			
1907	Watanoha.	1	1	1	31	41	72	2	7	9	1	1	1	1	37	3	10	50	13	1	2	67	42	3	38.19	37.85	38.19	29.37	38.14	450			
1910	Terazaki.	1	1	1	16	17	33	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	17	9	3	3	7	1	1	31	40	1	2.40	2.40	2.40	2.40	2.40	2.40			
1881	Furukawa.	1	1	1	16	17	33	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	17	9	3	3	7	1	1	31	40	1	2.40	2.40	2.40	2.40	2.40	2.40			
1889	Matsuyama.	1	1	1	11	2	13	1	1	2	2	2	2	2	9	1	6	17	16	1	2	67	60	1	53.43	2.85	242.14	14.40	228.35	242.75	115.24		
1886	Tome.	1	1	1	37	37	19	56	2	1	3	4	1	1	24	1	1	24	7	1	2	65	47	1	21.20	4.50	25.70	12.32	11.76	24.08	300		
1889	Ishinomori.	1	1	1	6	5	11	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	6	1	1	6	6	1	1	15	21	1	8.85	4.50	8.85	2.50	2.50	8.04			

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STATISTICS OF THE EVANGELISTIC WORK OF THE JAPAN MISSION.—Continued.

When Started.	PLACE.	COMMUN. MEMBERS.		INCREASE.		DECREASE.		ATTENDANTS.				SUNDAY SCHOOLS.				EXPENDITURES.		INCOME.		Appropriated from Bible Women's Fund.	Appropriated for Building or Repair.	Valuation of Property.																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																													
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Compiled by Christopher Noss, April 5, 1917.
The Financial Items are stated in terms of American money.

STATISTICS OF THE EVANGELISTIC WORK OF THE JAPAN MISSION—Continued.

When Started.	PLACE.	COMMUN. MEMBERS.			INCREASE.			DECREASE.			ATTENDANTS			SUNDAY SCHOOLS.			EXPENDITURES.			INCOME.			Appropriated from Bible Women's Fund.	Appropriated for Building or Repair.	Valuation of Property.																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																										
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STATISTICS OF THE CHINA MISSION, JULY 1, 1915, TO
JUNE 30, 1916

	Church Members	Baptisms	Foreign Ordained Men	Foreign Unordained Men	Foreign Single Women	Foreign Married Women	Chinese Christian Workers (Men)	Chinese Christian Workers (Women)	Inquirers	Preaching Places	Chinese Contributions for Church	Sunday Schools	Scholars	Teachers	Boys' School Students	Girls' School Students	Day School Students	Middle School Students	Hospitals	Number of Beds	In-patients	Major Operations	Minor Operations	Dispensary Patients
Yochow.....	108	27	3	..	4	3	3	1	84	3	\$33.30	4	356	20	...	60	7	..	1	52	670	65	445	16579
Lakeside.....	51	14	3	1	..	4	1	1	12	3	6.24	3	165	20	174	...	90	53	2	100	157	24	...	1200
Shenchowfu..	57	16	2	2	3	4	8	1	60	5	18.41	1	255	21	83	41	33	12	2	100	157	24	...	1200
Totals.....	216	57	8	3	7	11	17	3	156	16	\$57.95	8	776	61	257	101	100	65	3	152	827	89	445	17779

Report of General Synod's Standing Committee on Foreign Missions

To the Reverend General Synod:

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN: There has been referred to your Committee on Foreign Missions the 13th Triennial Report of the Board of Foreign Missions. The only other documents placed in our hands are copies, in English and in German, of "The Apostle of Ryo-U," an interesting account of the life and work of the late Rev. Herman H. Cook, of Yamagata, Japan.

From the report of the Board of Foreign Missions we are pleased to learn of the gratifying progress of our work in Japan and in China, and of the encouraging results of the faithful work of our missionaries.

In Japan the three years' Evangelistic Campaign, conducted by our Mission in connection with the Missions of other Churches, has been especially fruitful and hundreds have been led to profess Christ, while thousands have given their names as inquirers. At the same time, our own separate evangelistic work has met with an encouraging response.

Our educational work in Japan continues to maintain its highest standards. North Japan College has a nation-wide influence. It enrolls more students than any other educational institution in the Church. Last year 150 applicants could not be admitted for lack of room. The pressing need of this institution is for buildings for the college department. Dr. and Mrs. David B. Schneder have been devoting their furloughs to the work of raising funds for this purpose and their appeals have met with a generous response. The Industrial Home under Rev. E. H. Guinther has cared, during the past year, for 30 boys. The Miyagi Girls' School shares the honors with North Japan College. Since the last meeting of the General Synod, the number of students has increased from 150 to 211, and applicants have been refused admission for want of room. A second recitation hall is about to be erected.

During the triennium five new missionaries have been sent to Japan to fill vacancies—Rev. Alfred Ankeney, the son of a member of the Board; Rev. Paul F. Schaffner; Prof. F. B. Nicodemus, and

Misses Elsie J. Seymour and Lola Lindsey. Mr. Oscar M. Stoudt is under commission.

Our Japan Mission and the Japan Mission of the Reformed Church in America have united in recommending to their several Boards the transfer of the evangelistic work of the Reformed Church in America, in the Prefectures of Iwate and Aomori to our Mission. This work consists of two stations and seven out-stations. The Board asks that it be authorized to accept this transfer.

In the two Mission stations in China, the educational, evangelistic and medical work has been faithfully carried on by our missionaries in the face of many discouragements and obstacles, caused by lack of equipment and workers. The gifts of the Church on Foreign Mission Day, 1917, will now make it possible to erect the Woman's Hospital at Yochow City, and to provide a Boys' Dormitory at Shenchowfu, thus releasing for its proper use the Woman's Hospital Building of that station, now being used as a dormitory. The work in the two men's hospitals, under Dr. Adams and Dr. Thompson, has not only brought physical relief to thousands of patients, but has provided a rich opportunity for the proclamation of the Gospel.

In spite of the political unrest and strife in the new republic, the evangelistic work has continued without interruption. The services rendered by Mr. Heinrichsohn as mediator, during the recent troubles in Hunan, have given him and his co-workers a more earnest hearing in their preaching of the Gospel. The work of the Lakeside Schools at Yochow, and of the Eastview at Shenchowfu, has continued to prosper and its very success makes it imperative to embrace the great opportunities that are offering themselves. The Ziemer Memorial School, with its new building is entering upon a new period of usefulness, and the Girls' School at Shenchowfu cannot accommodate all who apply for admission.

Four new missionaries have been sent to China during the triennium—Prof. Karl H. Beck, Rev. J. W. Owen, and Misses Elizabeth J. Miller and Marion P. Firor. Miss Esther I. Sellemeyer is under commission.

There has been an unusual amount of illness during the past three years. Mrs. Henry K. Miller and Mrs. William A. Reimert had to come to America for treatment. Several of the missionaries in China and Japan have had to undergo operations. At the present time Prof. Horace R. Lequear, of Yochow City, is disabled

for work. No workers in the Church are in greater peril of their health or in greater need of the prayers of the Church than they who are laboring in foreign lands.

Your committee is gratified to learn of the deepened interest of our people in the homeland in this important work of world-evangelization. The Board has been greatly encouraged by the generous gifts of the Church during the past triennium. The Prince of Peace Fund almost entirely provided for the debt of the Board, realizing more than \$123,000, and the offering on Foreign Mission Day in this present year exceeded the offering on any similar occasion, the amount of \$25,000 for the Woman's Hospital Work in China being assured. In addition to their regular support of the work the women of the Church have obligated themselves to pay the cost of rebuilding of the Ziemer Memorial Girls' School in Yochow City and of the second recitation hall in the Miyagi Girls' School in Sendai. All this means more than the sums of money involved,—important as these are and necessary to the prosecution of our work,—it speaks of a larger interest in the hearts of our people and of a deepened consecration to the cause of the extension of the Kingdom. The great gathering of the men of the Church in the Men's Missionary Congress at Allentown, Pa., in November, 1915, was another expression of the determination of the Reformed Church to evangelize its part of the world.

The income from the apportionment and special gifts has not been sufficient for the growing work in China and Japan. The receipts have been largely increased by the support of individual missionaries and of Mission stations by congregations, educational institutions, and individual members of the Church. The increase in such special giving will prove a great blessing, both to the work and to the givers. The building of chapels by congregations and by individuals is also urged upon the Church. These are urgently needed for the permanence of our work and cannot be provided in sufficient number out of the regular revenues of the Board.

Grateful recognition is made by the Board of the services of Dr. Joseph L. Lemberger, for 24 years a faithful Treasurer, who has resigned his office and has been made Treasurer-Emeritus.

The visit to our Mission stations in China and Japan by the Field[Secretary Rev. Jacob G. Rupp, and his wife, has fitted these servants of the Church to present with new and appealing force the claims of the foreign field.

It is a matter for regret that owing to the world war and the lack of funds, the Board has not been able to establish the Mission in the Moslem World, authorized by this Synod at its last meeting. Cash subscriptions for this purpose amounting to \$1700 have already been received, indicating the Church's interest in the proposed work among the Mohammedans. It is the Board's hope to establish this Mission in the near future.

Your committee desires to express its appreciation of the full and clear financial statement prepared by the Treasurer, Rev. A. S. Bromer. It provides full information in every detail with reference to the financial work of the Board. It is encouraging to learn from this report that the receipts during the past triennium were \$161,266.15 over those of the previous triennium. It is to be remembered, however, that this included the Prince of Peace Fund of \$123,000, and a large amount for North Japan College, both special items which cannot be counted upon as sources of revenue for the coming triennium.

One dark shadow resting upon the work of the Board during the past three years is the fact that it has been impossible through lack of funds to add to our forces on the foreign field. The need of additional workers and of larger equipment call for more generous giving on the part of the Church at home.

Your committee offers the following resolutions for your consideration:

1. That Synod records its appreciation of the faithful and self-sacrificing service of its missionaries in China and Japan.
2. That the sincere sympathy be extended to the missionaries who are seriously ill at the present time, and that they be remembered at the throne of grace in prayer to be offered upon the final adoption of this report.
3. That we bear testimony to the faithful and efficient service of Rev. Herman H. Cook, of the Japan Mission; express our sense of the deep loss suffered by the Church in his seemingly untimely death, and extend our heartfelt sympathy to his widow and children.
4. That we commend to the Church the effort of Mrs. David B. Schneder to complete the funds which she and her husband have so earnestly labored to raise for the erection of the buildings for the college department of North Japan College, and ask congregations and individuals to generously coöperate in bringing to a suc-

cessful issue this project, so vital to the success of our work in Northern Japan.

5. That we express our pleasure in learning of the successful outcome of the Prince of Peace Fund campaign, in which the sum of more than \$123,000 was raised—almost enough to liquidate the large indebtedness of the Board—and record our appreciation of the services of Rev. Jacob G. Rupp and of his associates, who conducted this campaign.

6. That we express our appreciation of the devotion of the women of the Church as shown in their offer to provide a second recitation hall in the Miyagi Girls' School and to rebuild the Ziemer Memorial School, in addition to their regular contributions to the missionary work of the Church.

7. That we record our appreciation of the faithful service of Dr. Joseph L. Lemberger, who filled the office of Treasurer of the Board for almost a quarter of a century and proved his devotion to the Church and its work not only by giving unsparingly of his time and his talent, but by pledging his own personal credit for the prosecution of the work.

8. That Synod authorize the Board to arrange for the transfer of the evangelistic work of the Reformed Church in America in the prefectures of Iwate and Aomori, in Northern Japan, to our Japan Mission.

9. That Synod reiterates its action of three years ago, authorizing the Board to establish a Mission in the Moslem World so soon as, in its judgment, conditions at home and abroad warrant its doing so, in order that we may undertake the work of carrying the Gospel to the three million Mohammedans for whose evangelization we have made ourselves responsible.

10. That we record our sense of the invaluable service rendered to the cause of missions by the magazine "The Outlook of Missions," in informing the people of the Church with reference to every phase of this important work; and that we ask the coöperation of pastors and congregations in the effort to increase the circulation of this magazine 50 per cent. during the next triennium.

11. That we commend the Summer Missionary Conferences as ideal schools of training for Christian service, and urge congregations to send their ablest young men and young women to the Conferences in their several localities.

12. That the annual apportionment for the work of the Board of Foreign Missions for the coming triennium be fixed at 80 cents per

member. This will amount approximately to \$260,000, \$10,000 more than the amount of the annual appropriation apportioned three years ago. Your committee would call attention to the fact that, while Synod at that time apportioned \$750,000 for the work of Foreign Missions for the three years, there was received through the apportionment within that time only \$251,021.42—but little more than one-third the amount apportioned. In addition to this, the sum of \$270,827.90 has been received through special gifts. This recommendation carries with it the earnest request that the District Synods and the Classes and the congregations would use every endeavor to provide the full amount of this apportionment, apart from all special gifts, for this most important and urgent work of the Church, and we again urge upon congregations the adoption of the annual every-member canvass and the weekly subscription for Missions.

13. That we heartily commend to the Church the Board's plan for the care of individual missionaries and Mission stations by congregations and individuals and for the erection of chapels by individual gifts.

14. That we endorse the plan of the Board with reference to the annual contributions of one day's income by members of the Church to the work of Foreign Missions, especially in the case of those members who are not making a weekly offering for this purpose.

15. That Foreign Mission Day be observed by congregations and Sunday Schools on the second Sunday in February of each year, and that the Epiphany season be set apart as a season for special missionary study, prayer, and giving.

16. That Synod expresses its sincere confidence in the Secretary and members of the Board of Foreign Missions; pledges them its earnest intention of doing all in its power to support the work committed to their keeping and it hopes to soon make it possible for the Board to enlarge the scope of that work.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRI L. G. KIEFFER, <i>Chairman</i> ,	
S. L. MESSINGER,	H. ECHELMEIER,
R. E. CRUM,	E. H. GOOD.

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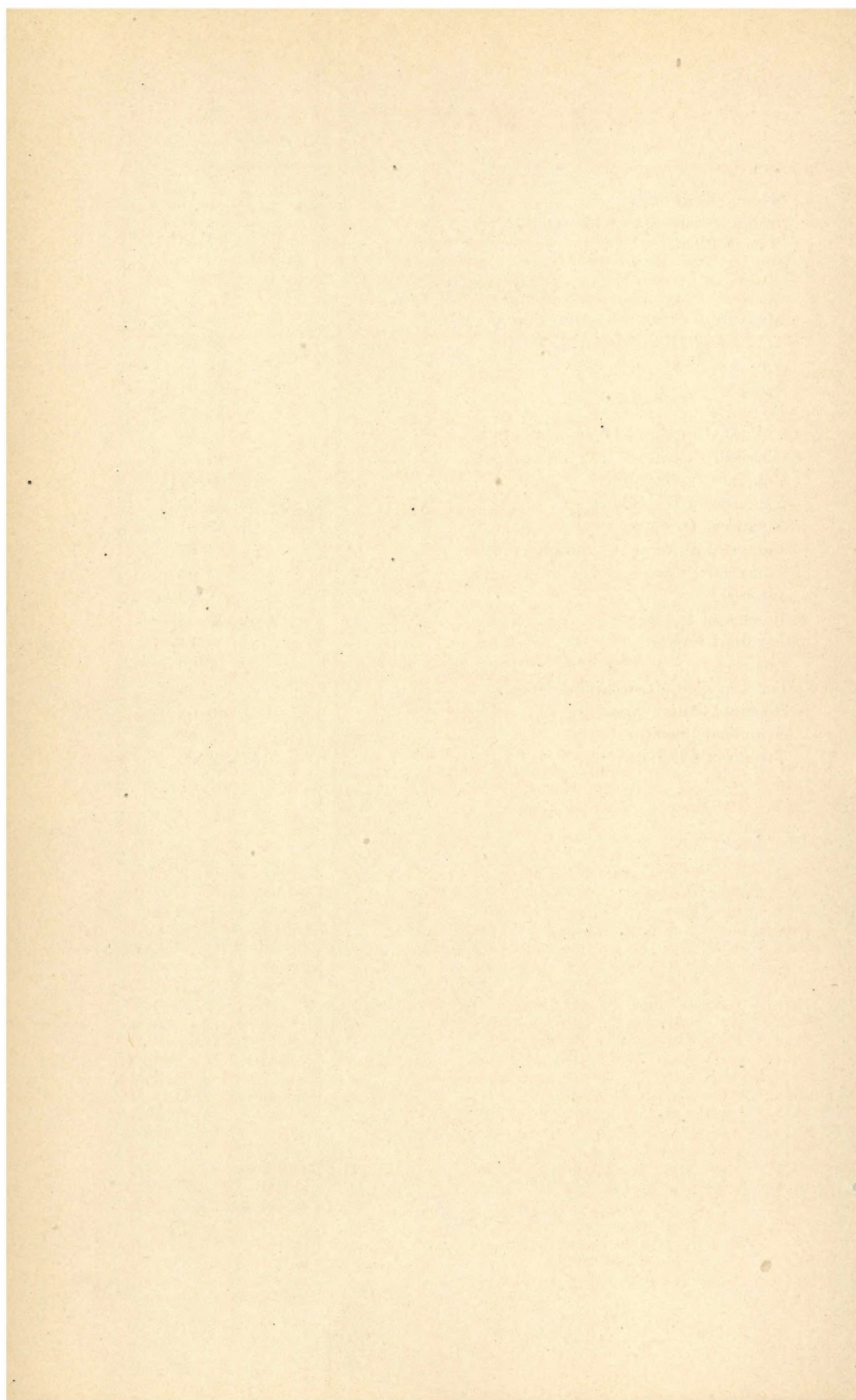
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OUR MISSIONARY STAFF

The work of our missionaries is not one that can be taken up and laid down at their pleasure. They must labor on or else the work will suffer. They cannot take a vacation when they feel like it, nor return to their homes when homesickness overtakes them. Think of them in their trials. Rejoice with them in their successes. Pray for them at all times.

<i>Date of Arrival</i>	<i>Name</i>	JAPAN	<i>Residence</i>
1883.	Rev. Jairus P. Moore, D.D., and wife	.....	Sendai
1887.	Rev. David B. Schneder, D.D., and wife	.....	Sendai
1892.	Rev. Henry K. Miller and wife	.....	Tokyo
1895.	Rev. Christopher Noss, D.D., and wife	.....	Wakamatsu
1896.	Prof. Paul L. Gerhard and wife	.....	Sendai
1900.	Rev. Allen K. Faust, Ph.D., and wife	.....	Sendai
1901.	Miss B. Catherine Pifer	.....	Tokyo
1905.	Rev. William G. Seiple, Ph.D., and wife	.....	Sendai
1905.	Miss Mary E. Gerhard	.....	Sendai
1906.	Rev. Elmer H. Zaugg, Ph.D., and wife	.....	Sendai
1907.	Miss Kate I. Hansen	.....	Sendai
1907.	Miss Lydia A. Lindsey	.....	Sendai
1911.	Rev. Carl D. Kriete and wife	.....	Yamagata
1911.	Miss Ollie Amelia Brick	.....	Sendai
1913.	Rev. Ezra H. Guinther and wife	.....	Sendai
1914.	Rev. Alfred Ankeney	.....	Yamagata
1915.	Rev. Paul F. Schaffner and wife	.....	Wakamatsu
1916.	Miss Lola Lindsey	.....	Sendai
1916.	Miss Elsie Seymour	.....	Sendai
1916.	Prof. F. B. Nicodemus and wife	.....	Sendai
1917.	Mr. Oscar M. Stoudt and wife	.....	Sendai
1917.	Mr. Isaac J. Fisher	.....	Sendai

CHINA

1900.	Rev. William E. Hoy, D.D., and wife	.....	Yochow City, Hunan
1902.	Rev. William A. Reimert and wife	.....	Yochow City, Hunan
1905.	Rev. Paul E. Keller and wife	.....	Changsha, Hunan
1906.	Rev. J. Frank Bucher and wife	.....	Shenchowfu, Hunan
1906.	Prof. Horace R. Lequear and wife	.....	Yochow City, Hunan
1906.	Rev. Edwin A. Beck and wife	.....	Yochow City, Hunan
1908.	Miss Alice E. Traub	.....	Yochow City, Hunan
1908.	Rev. F. Karl Heinrichsohn and wife	.....	Yochow City, Hunan
1908.	Mr. William F. Adams and wife	.....	Yochow City, Hunan
1910.	Miss Rebecca N. Messimer	.....	Shenchowfu, Hunan
1911.	Rev. Ward Hartman and wife	.....	Shenchowfu, Hunan
1913.	Dr. Lewis R. Thompson and wife	.....	Shenchowfu, Hunan
1913.	Miss Gertrude B. Hoy	.....	Yochow City, Hunan
1914.	Miss Helen B. Ammerman	.....	Yochow City, Hunan
1914.	Miss Mary Edna Meyers	.....	Yochow City, Hunan
1914.	Miss Elizabeth J. Miller	.....	Shenchowfu, Hunan
1914.	Prof. Karl H. Beck and wife	.....	Shenchowfu, Hunan
1916.	Miss Marion P. Firor	.....	Yochow City, Hunan
1916.	Rev. J. W. Owen and wife	.....	Shenchowfu, Hunan
1917.	Miss Esther J. Sellemeyer	.....	Shenchowfu, Hunan
1917.	Miss Minerva Stout Weil	.....	Shenchowfu, Hunan
1917.	Mr. George Bachman	.....	Yochow City, Hunan
1917.	Dr. J. Albert Beam and wife	.....	Yochow City, Hunan

Ten Ways to Help the Work

- I. Read the Outlook of Missions**
- II. Attend the Summer Missionary
Conferences**
- III. Join a Mission Study Class**
- IV. Talk Missions to Your Friends**
- V. Secure Recruits for Foreign Ser-
vice**
- VI. Encourage the Members of the
Board**
- VII. Tithe Your Income**
- VIII. Contribute a Chapel Fund**
- IX. Invest in an Annuity Bond**
- X. Pray for the Missionaries**